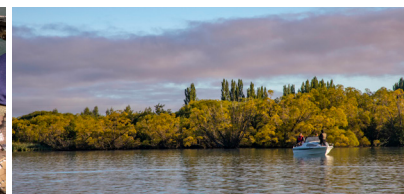
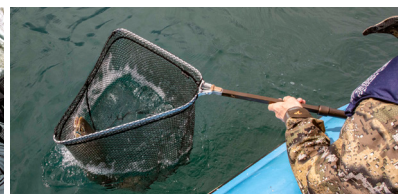


Equipment List – Harling



Having the right gear can make harling easier, more effective, and much more enjoyable. The following equipment list covers the key items commonly used by anglers, from the basic essentials through to useful accessories for locating fish and staying safe on the water.

Rod

A 2.7–3.0m (9–10ft) fly rod rated around 6–7 weight is a good all-round option for harling.

Reel

A fly reel with a smooth drag that can be paired effectively with the chosen fly rod.

Fly line

A floating line is a good general purpose option but intermediate or sinking line are also good.

Flies

A selection of feathered lures (streamers) that imitate small fish or other trout prey. Common patterns include Grey Ghost, Parsons Glory, Jack Sprat, Mrs Simpson and Hamill's Killer.

Leader

A 3–6kg (6–12lb) monofilament or fluorocarbon leader, typically around 2–4m long.

Rod holder

A secure rod holder is useful when harling, allowing the angler to tow the fly while monitoring the rod tip for strikes.

Landing net

A long-handled net with a suitably large frame and soft or rubber-coated mesh makes landing trout alongside the boat much easier.

Fish finder

Useful for identifying depth, weed beds, drop-offs and concentrations of trout or baitfish, although it is not essential for successful harling.

GPS

Useful for identifying and recording productive harling runs so they can be repeated.

Boat or paddling equipment

Harling can be undertaken from a row boat, dinghy, kayak or boat. The boat should be suitable for the conditions and type of water being fished.

Boat safety equipment

Carry the required safety equipment for your vessel, including lifejackets, communication equipment and other equipment appropriate for the conditions.