



Laughing Grizzly
fly shop

LAUGHING GRIZZLY

FLY SHOP

**WHAT FLY
SHOULD I USE?**

YA GOTTA KNOW YER BUGS!

MAJOR AQUATIC INSECTS

- MAYFLIES
- CADDISFLIES
- STONEFLIES
- MIDGES



TERRESTRIAL INSECTS

- GRASSHOPPERS
- BEETLES
- ANTS



... AND THE OTHER STUFF

- FISH



- SCUDS AND SHRIMP



- LEECHES



- SOWBUGS



- EGGS

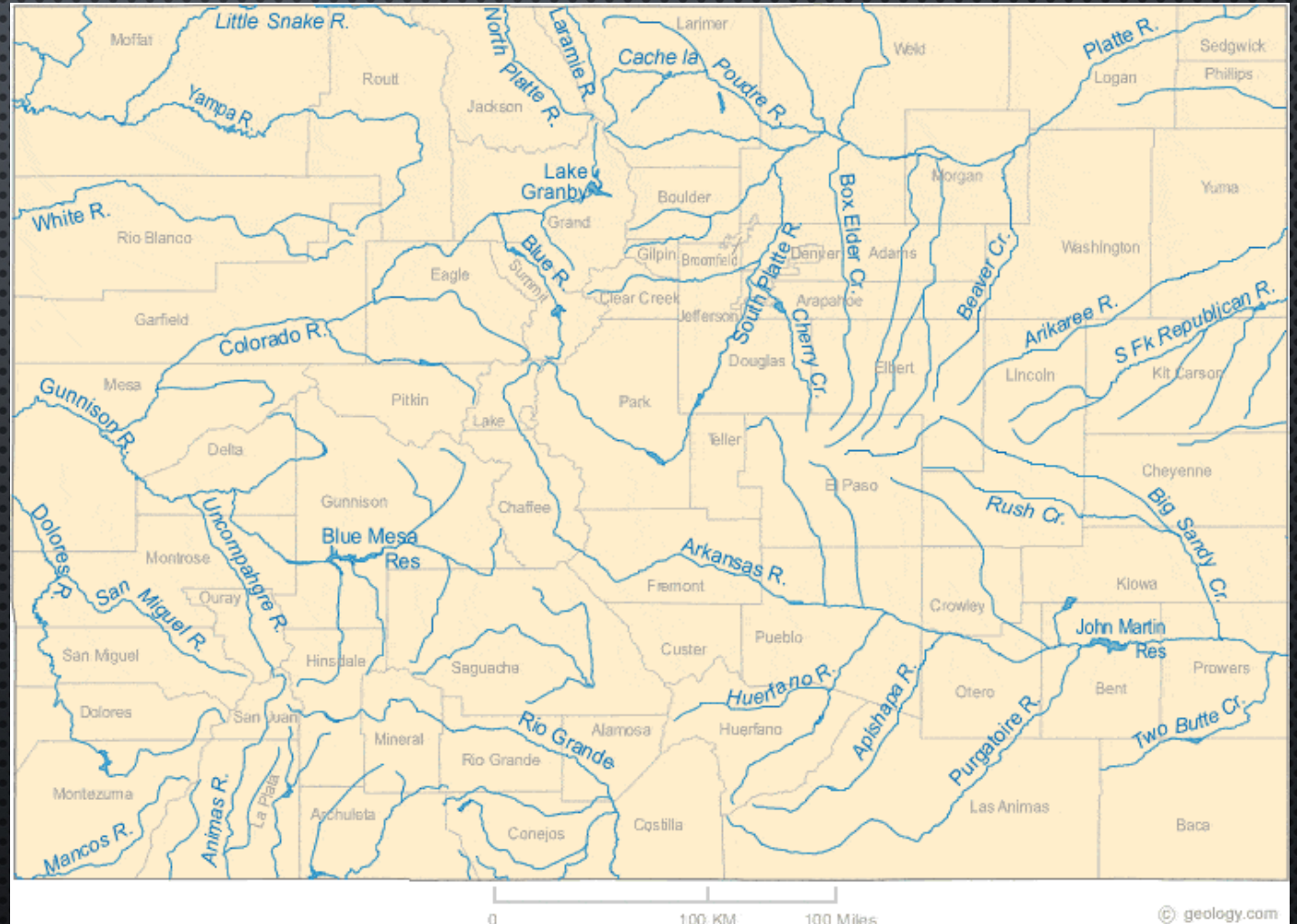


- WORMS



COLORADO WATERSHEDS

- **PLATTE RIVER**
 - North Platte
 - South Platte
 - Big Thompson
 - St Vrain
 - Cache la Poudre
- **COLORADO RIVER**
 - Gunnison
 - Dolores
- **YAMPA/WHITE RIVERS**
- **RIO GRANDE RIVER**
 - Conejos
- **ARKANSAS RIVER**
 - Purgatoire

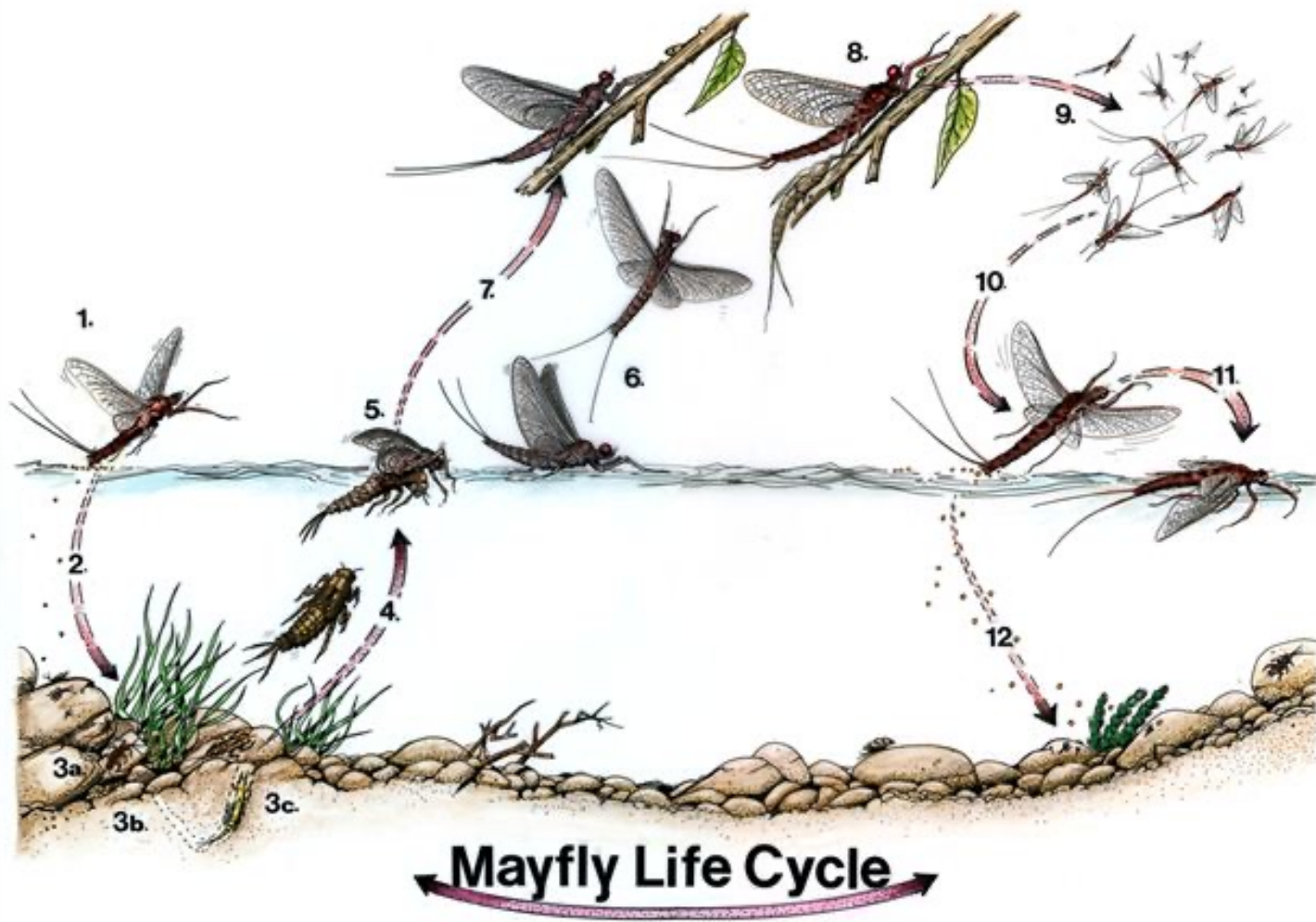


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KEY POINT: But in different proportions...



MAYFLIES
INCOMPLETE LIFECYCLE
- EGG
- LARVA/NYMPH
- ADULT

Image from Dave Whitlock's Guide to Aquatic Trout Foods

COMMON MAYFLIES OF COLORADO

HATCH MONTHS IN YELLOW

- BLUE WING OLIVE (FEB- MAY, OCT-NOV)



- PALE MORNING DUN (JUL-SEP)



- GRAY DRAKE (JUL-AUG)



- GREEN DRAKE (JUL-SEP)



- FLAVILINEA (JUL-AUG)



- RED QUILL (JUL-AUG)



- CALLIBAETIS (JUN-AUG)



- TRICORYTHIDES (JUL-SEP)



- MARCH BROWN (MAR-APR)

MAYFLY LIFECYCLE PATTERNS

■ NYMPH



Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear



Pheasant Tail



Two-Bit Hooker

■ EMERGER



Barr Emerger



Charlie's Mole Fly

MAYFLY LIFECYCLE PATTERNS

■ Adult Dun



Comparadun/Sparkle Dun

■ Adult Spinner



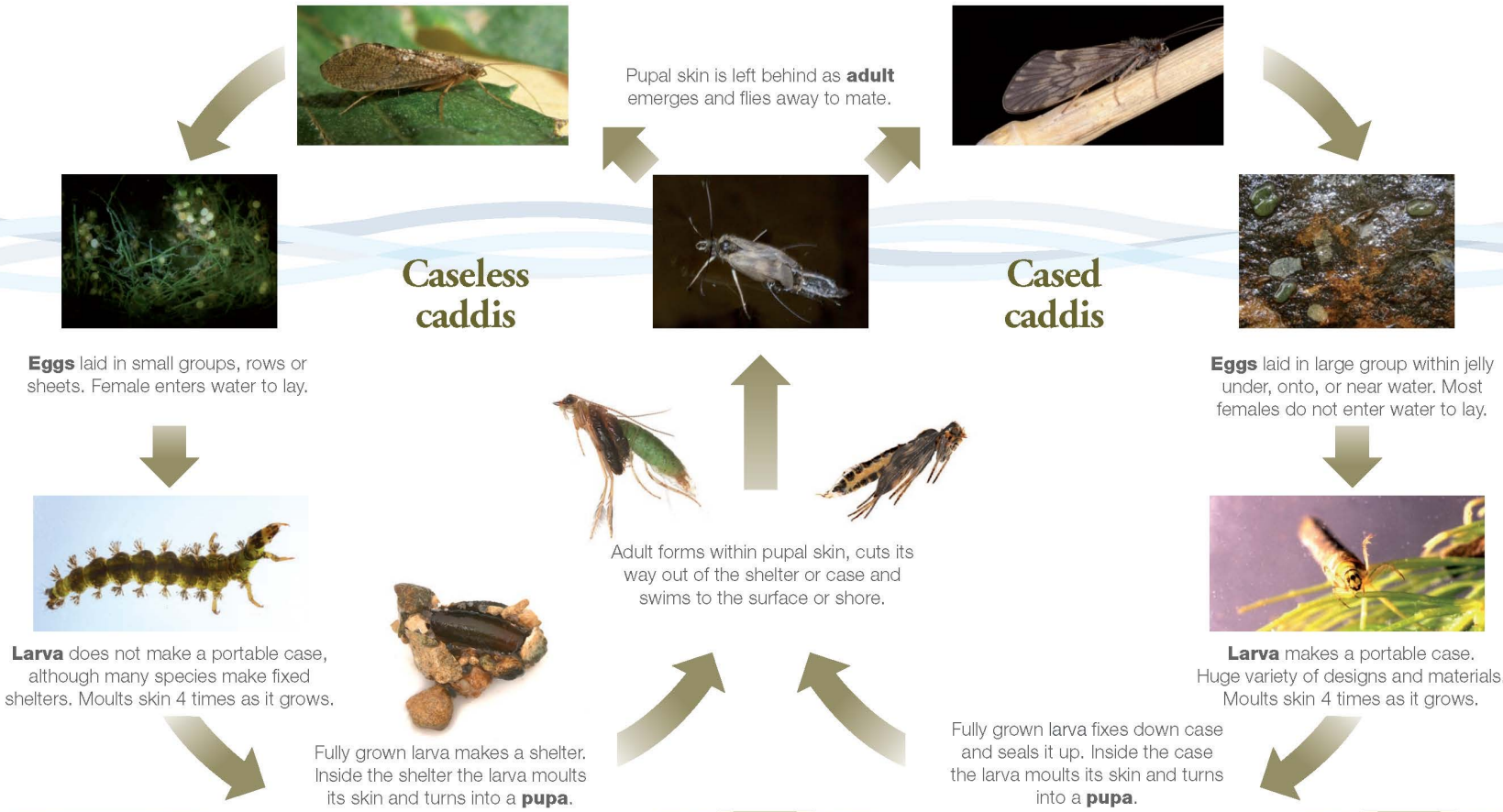
Para Adams
Named Patterns
like the BWO,
PMD, etc
Dun- Gray wings
Spinner- White
wings

■ Adult Spent Spinner



Rusty Spinner, et al

The Caddisfly Life Cycle



CADDISFLIES
COMPLETE LIFECYCLE
- EGG
- LARVA/NYMPH
- PUPA
- ADULT
176 SPECIES IN COLORADO

There are 199 species of caddisfly (Trichoptera) known in the UK and Ireland. Life-cycles can vary between species. All species have a freshwater larval stage, except *Enoicyla pusilla* which is terrestrial. The caseless caddis images here are of *Rhyacophila dorsalis*, the cased caddis is *Brachycentrus subnubilus*.

COMMON CADDISFLIES OF COLORADO

Hatch months in yellow

- **Ryacophyla:** April-May and September-October

- Free-living larvae



- **Hydropsyche:** May-October

- Free-living larvae



- **Brachycentrus**

- May-October
- Case-building larvae



- **Glossosoma**

- April-October
- Case-building larvae



CADDISFLY LIFECYCLE PATTERNS

■ Nymph/Larvae



Breadcrust



■ Cased Larva



Hot Butt Caddis



■ Free-Living Larva



Barr's Net Builder



CADDISFLY LIFECYCLE PATTERNS

■ Emerger



Tabou Caddis Emerger

■ Adult



Extended Body Caddis



Elk Hair Caddis

■ Spent Adult



Orvis Spent Caddis



Stonefly Life Cycle

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STONEFLIES

INCOMPLETE LIFECYCLE

- Egg
- Larva
- Adult

STONEFLY SPECIES OF COLORADO

Hatch months in yellow

- **Golden Stone**

- July-August



- **Skwala Stonefly**

- February-April



- **Salmon Fly/Willow Fly**

- June-July



- **Yellow Sally**

- June-August

- **Winter Stoneflies**

- February-March



STONEFLY LIFECYCLE PATTERNS

■ Nymph



Mercer's Golden Stone

■ Adult



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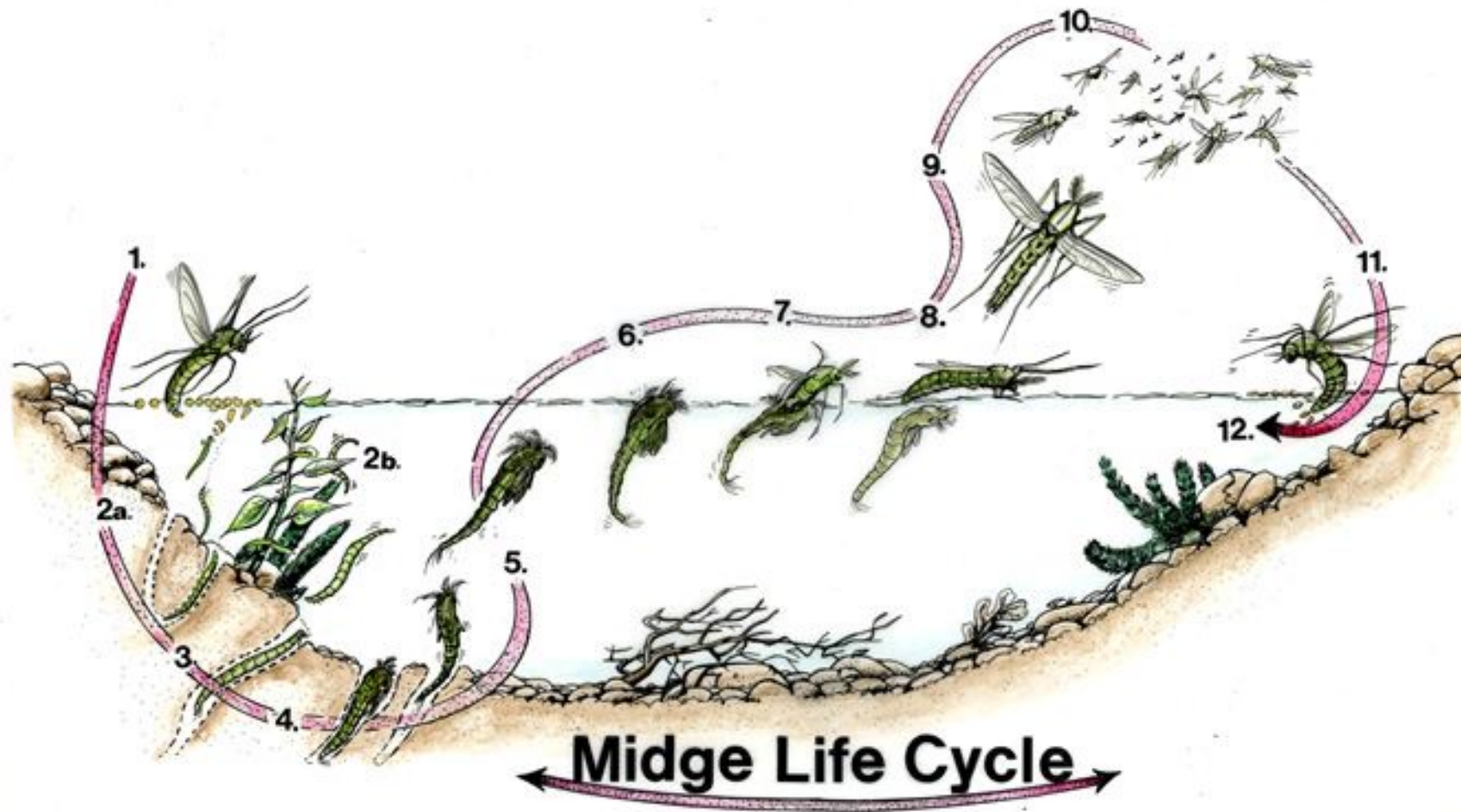
Stimulator



Twenty Incher



Improved Sofa Pillow



MIDGES
COMPLETE LIFECYCLE
 - EGG
 - LARVA
 - PUPA
 - ADULT

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MIDGE LIFECYCLE STAGES

■ Larva



■ Pupa



■ Adult



Midges hatch in open water every day of the year

MIDGE LIFECYCLE PATTERNS

■ LARVA



Zebra Midge



Barr's Pure Midge



WD-40

■ PUPA



Rojo Midge



Duck Fly



Dorsey's Top Secret Midge

■ ADULT



Fowler's Midge



Matt's Midge



Stuck in the Shuck

Terrestrial Insects

- Hoppers



Dave's Hopper



Charlie Boy Hopper

- Beetles



Foam Beetle



Dick's Bugeye Beetle

- Ants



Basic Ant



Steeves Ant

AQUATIC TROUT FOODS

■ WORMS



■ EGGS



■ SCUDS



■ SHRIMP



■ SOWBUGS



■ LEECHES

■ BAITFISH, INCLUDING
JUVENILE TROUT

