

# GARY BROWN'S FRESHWATER BAIT FISHING RIGS

## MUDEYE RIGS

Mudeyes are found in the still waters or ponds, dams and lakes and are best fished when alive and kicking. They are a part of the diet of trout and Atlantic salmon.

In the three figures shown you will see that the hook is placed so that the mudeye remains alive. With saying this, the mudeye can also be extremely effective when rigged behind a set of Cowbells or Ford Fenders on a lead line or down rigger.

Mudeyes are also extremely effective when rigged below a float and either allowed to drift down a stream or river. If using in a lake or dam leave a bit of slack line to allow the trout or Atlantic salmon to swim off with the bait.

Mudeyes can be caught using a small mesh net, by pushing or dragging through the weeds or along the bottom. Although, I find that it's much easier to go and buy them from your local tackle shop.

You could also try using the mudeye on the following rigs; the paternoster, running ball sinker down onto the hook, a running sinker down onto a swivel and a leader of about a metre, a small split shot or just unweighted. You can check these rigs out in Gary Brown's Essential Saltwater Bait Rigs.

No12 - 4 long shank hook laid parallel to body and tied on with Bait Mate to turn down eye

Leader



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Small 12 - 6 fly hook pinned into back of wings



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No6 - 1 circle hook pinned through tail

