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Have you ever been so passionate about something that it occupies your every waking moment? In his latest collection of essays, celebrated writer and life-long angler James R. Babb reflects on his ardent preoccupation with the sport of fishing—one so strong that it often keeps him awake--and further recounts many of his most memorable adventures from a life spent casting flies across the globe. From the majestic lakes and streams of northern Maine, to the smaller brooks of eastern Tennessee and crossing the Atlantic to the lochs of Scotland and the chalk streams of southern England, *Fish Won't Let Me Sleep* transcends international boundaries to demonstrate that the joy of fishing is universal.

*Fish Won't Let Me Sleep* brims with over two dozen chapters on varying aspects of the sport. In “Roamin' the Gloaming,” Babb hilariously comments on some of the more peculiar idioms of his chosen passion. The aptly titled “Snide and Prejudice,” reflects on the companionship, friendships, and occasional animosities that arise from fishing with others. And in “Simple Gifts,” Babb muses on the eternal bane and gift of all fly fishermen—the weather.

Echoing the tone of great writers such as Mark Twain, Annie Dillard, and John Gierach, Babb's poignant prose and witty observations are true testaments to the unparalleled wit of an American master.

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