

# Roderick Haig-Brown

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Dream, Optimistic*

There will be days when the fishing is better than one's most optimistic forecast, others when it is far worse. Either is a gain over just staying home.

~Roderick Haig-Brown

A river is water in its loveliest form; rivers have life and sound and movement and infinity of variation, rivers are veins of the earth through which the lifeblood returns to the heart

~Roderick Haig-Brown

Our tradition is that of the first man who sneaked away to the creek when the tribe did not really need fish.

~Roderick Haig-Brown

I have fished through fishless days that I remember happily without regret.

~Roderick Haig-Brown

Perhaps fishing is, for me, only an excuse to be near rivers.

~Roderick Haig-Brown

I still don't know why I fish or why other men fish, except that we like it and it makes us think and feel.

~Roderick Haig-Brown

A fisherman is always hopeful -- nearly always more hopeful than he has any right to be.

~Roderick Haig-Brown

... To this day I would rather see a fish, creep up to him and watch his rise to my fly than catch half a dozen fish unseen until they take.

~Roderick Haig-Brown

A man should think when he fishing of all manner and shape of things,

flowing as easily through the mind as the light stream among the rocks

~Roderick Haig-Brown

Anglers...exaggerate grossly and make gentle and inoffensive creatures sound like wounded buffalo and man-eating tigers.

~Roderick Haig-Brown

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