Yogi was raised along the banks of the Onon River. His dad took him on fishing and hunting trips since he was just a young boy teaching him how to survive in the wild, respect Mother Earth and live in harmony with nature. He was recruited as a local guide by outfitters and learned about fly fishing and never stopped. He's been guiding and fly-fishing for more than 20 years in his homeland waters. He's known as "Yogi bear" by his fellow fishermen. He's also an accomplished photographer of birds and tracks wild animals in the offseason.