



MONTANA TROUTFITTERS FEATURED FLY PATTERNS

Snowcaine Midge

Fly recipe:

Hook: Scud or Emerger Hook (Dai Riki #135 #125) Size # 16-24

Thread: 8/0 Uni Thread (Match to Color of Midge)

Tail: Spanflex & Pearl Krystal Flash or Pearl Midge Flash

Collar: SLF Prism Dub Peacock

Bead: Spirit River White Hot Bead Sized to Match Hook

Tying instructions:

Step 1: Slide the bead onto the hook and then secure your hook in the vise and attach the thread to the hook wrapping back about 1/6-1/8 of the hook from the eye.

Step 2: Take one strand of Spanflex and one strand of pearl krystal flash or midge flash. Place the two strands together and with your hands or preferably a pair of rotating hackle pliers, twist until the two form a sort of candy cane type look. Then let the spanflex twist back against itself into a tail that has the krystal flash in the middle of it. This is going to be your tail and the main portion of the fly so mess around with it until you are happy with how it looks. You are only going to use a 1/4 inch of this twisted spanflex so make sure it is at least that long, you can make this shorter or longer to the size of fly or your preferences.

Step 3: Once you have your twisted spanflex formed tie it in where you stopped your thread, ensuring that you have it tied down so the spanflex won't unravel and so you have something to dub over.

Step 4: Now simply dub a small collar for the fly right behind the bead and over your thread and the tie in point for the spanflex, you don't need much dubbing so be sparing. For added effect try using the Prism SLF in a dubbing loop too.

Step 5: Whip finish and apply some head cement and this is ready to go fishing!

Notes: This is a little variation on a Willy's Pip and a Palomino Midge. I like to fish this in olive, brown, tan, black and red colors. The little bit of sparkle in the butt and the spanflex movement creates a nice simple little pattern that works well.



Kumlien's Veiled Knob

Fly recipe:

Hook: Egg Hook (Dai Riki #155) Size # 10

Thread: Danville's Flymaster Plus 210 (Match to Color of Egg)

Bead: Troutfitters Allure Bead Orange or Pink

Collar: 50/50 Blend of UV Ice Dub Pearl and White Antron Dubbing

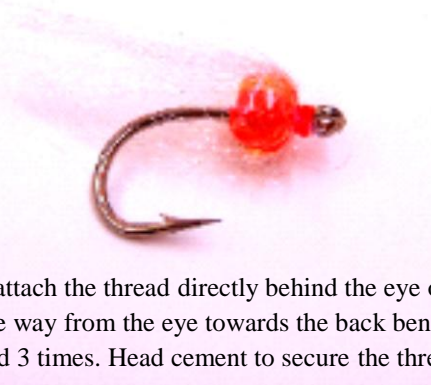
Tying instructions:

Step 1: Slide the bead onto the hook, and then secure your hook in the vise and attach the thread directly behind the eye of the hook. Push the bead towards the back of the hook and then form a thread base 1/4 of the way from the eye towards the back bend, then slide the bead against the eye. To secure the bead wrap behind and in front of the bead 3 times. Head cement to secure the thread and bead in place. Leave the thread hanging just behind the eye and in front of the bead.

Step 2: To form the collar use a custom blend of 50% UV Ice Dub Pearl and Antron Dubbing in white – this will give you both the length and the sparkle that you're looking for. Take that dubbing and pull it apart until you get longer strands, take these strands and fold them over the thread then wrap several times in front of the bead and tie it off.

Step 3: Whip finish and apply head cement and you are done!

Notes: This is my go to egg pattern when the fish are selective in clear slower water in places like the Bighorn, Missouri and Spring Creeks. It's not nearly as effective on bigger rougher water like the Madison or Yellowstone, so fish it accordingly!





Rolling Red Death

Fly recipe:

Hook: Gamakatsu Octopus Size # 2/0 or 1/0
Thread: Danville's Flymaster Plus 210 (Match to Color of Worm)
Rib: Vinyl Rib Large
Underbody and Tail: Scud Back ¼"



Tying instructions:

Step 1: Start your thread behind the eye and take the thread to the back bend of the hook – you are going to tie in your scud back first, leaving roughly an inch of it facing out the back. Now tie in your vinyl rib and leave it in hanging out of the back.

Step 2: Take your thread forward and leave it behind the eye, wrap the scud back forward making the wraps nice and tight and next to one another this is your underbody. Leave a chunk of the scud back hanging out of the front of the fly as well.

Step 3: Take the vinyl rib forward spacing it out for a nice ribbed effect and tie it off. Whip finish, head cement and you're done.

Notes: Simple, durable, effective, and can be tied in a variety of worm colors if you like, but red is always the best! For a change you can run the ribbing forward first and then wrap the scudback over the top if you would like, it's more translucent but not as durable.

Strung Out Sukker

Fly recipe:

Front Hook: Gamakatsu Heavy Wire 90° Jig Size # 1
Stinger Hook: Gamakatsu Bonefish Hook Size #4 or Octopus Hook Nickel Black Size #4
Stinger Connection: Dacron Backing Colored Black
Thread: Danville's Flymaster Plus 210 Fl Orange for Egg, Black for Remainder
Head: Otters Eggs 3 Egg Cluster Tangerine/Red
Body: Magnum Rabbit Black
Underbody: Farrar's Flash Blend Midnight Blitz
Collar: SLF Prism Dub Black



Tying instructions:

Step 1: To start you'll need to attach your thread at the bend of the hook – leave the thread on the straight portion of the hook shank. Wrap the thread about ¼ of the way back, then twist the thread up and bring it forward leaving some spacing so that you have ribbing for the egg to attach to. Next you'll drop some head cement on the thread and push the egg onto the hook through the center of one of the eggs and slide them up to the front bend of the jig hook. Now wrap underneath and behind and in front of the egg cluster 3 times to attach it to the hook. Whip finish and head cement and trim the thread and attach your black thread for the remainder of the fly.

Step 2: Take the dacron backing, fold it in half and push it down through the eye of the bonefish hook and run it around the back of the hook so that it comes up against the eye of the hook. Measure out the length of your stinger to whatever suits your preference. Keep in mind that the longer this is, the more chance it has to wrap over itself when fishing. Once you have your length determined you simply want to attach that dacron backing to the front hook, making sure to secure it. For further info on stinger hooks consult with us! I prefer to have one hook up, and one hook down, but it doesn't really matter here.

Step 3: Upon setting your length you are going to tie in the rabbit on the stinger hook first, so load the stinger hook in the vise and separate the rabbit for a tie in point by using a bodkin and attach your thread to the hook and make several good wraps right on top of one another to attach the rabbit to the hook directly behind the eye. If you'd like you can also slide the stinger hook through the skin as well for one more attachment point. Whip finish and head cement. Leave enough rabbit here to tie in on the front hook behind the egg.

Step 4: With your chunk of rabbit now attached to the back hook, put the jig hook in the vise and measure out the rabbit and cut it so that it will fall just short of the egg, you will now tie in the rabbit on the front hook, make sure it is attached securely. Now tie in your under body material – leave the Farrar's Flash Blend just short of the tail end of the rabbit. Trim any excess that hangs past the rabbit.

Step 5: Dub over the top of the rabbit and up to just behind the egg and whip finish and head cement!

Notes: This is a fantastic leech pattern that has been successful for me in the wintertime when streamers aren't typically as effective. Fish this deep and slow through slower runs and likely holding spots, give it a twitch or a very slow gentle strip, remember leeches don't move fast in the water, especially in the wintertime! Try it in brown, or red or dark olive for trout, or purple for steelhead too.

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