

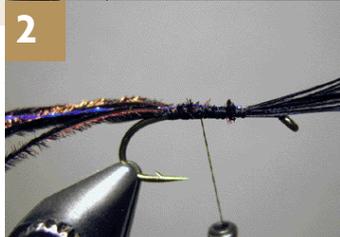
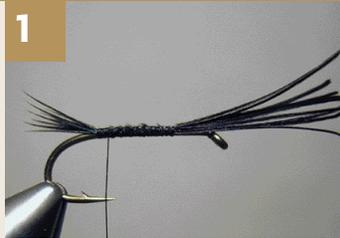


Purple Peacock

- Hook:** Kamasan B420 Egg Hook #12
- Thread:** 6/0 black
- Tail:** Pheasant Tail Fibers (dyed black)
- Body:** Purple Dyed Peacock Herl
- Flash:** Krystal Flash (blue)
- Wing Case:** Pheasant tail Fibers (dyed black)
- Legs:** Pheasant tail Fibers (dyed black)

Tying Instructions

1. Attach thread to the hook and tie in a clump of pheasant tail fibers so the tips extend just past the back of the hook. Lash them forward to a point about half way up the hook shank.
2. Tie in five or six peacock herl fibers by the tips and one strand of Krystal Flash at the bend of the hook
3. Use a rotating hackle plier to twist the Krystal Flash and peacock into a rope. The wind the rope forward to just in front of the mid point of the hook shank.
4. Trim the peacock and Krystal Flash and using thread prop the leftover pheasant tail fibers so they point back over the abdomen.
5. Take another clump of pheasant tail fibers and tie them in with the tips pointing over the hook eye. They should extend about one hook gap over the eye.
6. Tie in the remaining peacock herl and Krystal Flash just in front of the "wing case" and wrap it to form a thorax. Tie off and trim the peacock.
7. Fold the wing case over the back of the thorax and then separate the pheasant tail fibers into two equal clumps. Bind one clump along each side of the fly. Form a neat head, tie off and trim thread and cement.



Black dyed pheasant tail looks great in this pattern. However, changing the colors of pheasant tail and peacock can create some nice variety to have in your box.

The Krystal Flash makes a nice reinforcement for the peacock rope. You can use thread, wire or any other strong thread like materials. The Krystal flash adds a subtle sparkle to the fly.

If you tie the peacock in by the tips it will help form the taper in the abdomen.

Folding over the leftover pheasant tail fibers will make for a fuller wing case when completing the fly.

The tips of the pheasant tail make nice tapered "legs" on this fly. The leftovers help complete the wing case.

You can change colors for the thorax, but I find matching the fly looks and works better,

Notice the leg fibers on the side of the fly and the neat head. This is a simple fly that a variety of species (especially steelhead) find attractive.



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