



Steve's Perchie

Hook: 3XI Straight Eye Hook
Thread: 6/0 Cream
Eyes: Painted Hour Glass Eyes
Tail & Fins: Antron Yarn (orange)
Wing: Silky Fibers (Yellow)
Body: Pearl Diamond Braid
Head: Lamb's Wool Olive over White

Tying Instructions

1. Place hook upside down in vice and tie in hourglass eyes on the bottom of the hook shank (opposite to the way you would do a Clouser) about two hook-eye widths back from the front of the hook.
2. Turn the hook over in the vice and tie in a tail of orange antron. Tie in diamond braid and wrap the body up to just behind the eyes.
3. Using figure 8 wraps tie in a piece of orange antron so the fibers stick out the side. Trim to an appropriate length so they look like gills or fins.
4. Fold in a wing of yellow silky fibers on top of the hook shank behind the eyes.
5. Glue area behind eyes and move thread just in front of the eyes. Then tie in white and olive wool in front of the eyes so that the tapered ends form a wing on top of (olive) and below (white) the silky fiber wing of the fly.
6. Tie off and trim the thread and then trim the wool-head at the front to a medium-sized head leaving a collar top and bottom to blend with the yellow silky fiber wing.



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Hour Glass Eyes tied in on the underside of the hook.

A tail of orange antron or any other synthetic imitates the back fins of a perch.

Diamond braid makes for a reflective body, just like a real minnow. Again the orange antron imitates the prominent orange fins of a perch.

The yellow Silky fibers will glow through the other over wing materials when this fly is wet. This yellow is the core of the fly.

Wool creates bulk, translucence and it does not add buoyancy to the fly

Trimming the head leaving the tapered wool to the rear blends this fly together so that it looks almost like a real minnow.

This pattern is also effective in dace, shiner and other color combinations to imitate small minnows in your area.