



Marabou Muddler Minnow

- Hook:** Standard Streamer Hook # 10- #2
Thread: 6/0 (black)
Tail: Red Hackle Fibers
Body: Diamond braid (gold)
wing: Marabou, Krystal Flash & Peacock Herl
Head: Deer Hair Spun & Trimmed

Tying Instructions

1. Place the hook in the vise, attach thread and tie in as tail of red hackle fibers. The tail should extend just past the back of the bend of the hook.
2. Take the thread to a point 3/4 the way up the hook shank and tie in the gold diamond braid. Wind the thread back to the bend of the hook and return it to the front of the hook. Wrap the diamond braid forward and tie off.
3. Select a full plume or two sparse plumes of marabou and tie in so the feather extends just past the bend of the hook.
4. Fold the Krystal Flash down either side of the marabou and trim it so it is even with the end of the feather. Take half a dozen strands of peacock herl and tie in as a topping of the marabou.
5. Select, clean and stack a pencil diameter clump of deer hair. Hold this clump of top of the hook shank with the tips extending 1/3 of the way back on the marabou. Hold in place and secure with several wraps of thread. The deer hair should form a collar and flared area.
6. Clean another clump of deer hair and secure it in front of the previous clump letting the hair spin and flare. Tie off & trim thread.
7. Trim the deer hair into a bullet shaped head.



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A hint of red is considered a strike “trigger” by many top angler’s. You can substitute wool or rabbit fur for the hackle fibers if you wish..

Tying in the diamond braid at the front of the hook makes for a neat body. Diamond braid is much easier to use than the traditional flat mylar and a wire rib.

White and yellow marabou are most popular, but other colors can be tried to meet local preferences. Orange can be excellent.

The Krystal Flash and peacock make a great minnow look when wet.

A thread base on the hook shank where the deer hair will be placed allows you to make a much more secure head. Packing the hair back to allow a bigger clump to be added makes a nicer fly.

Once the hair is flared use several wraps of thread through the deer hair to secure it.

When trimming the deer hair be careful not to trim of the collar. Holding the collar under your fingers while trimming will help.