

Bob Fortney



Recipe

Hook: Dry Fly Size: 10-12
Thread: Black, 6/0
Tail: Barred Wood Duck Flank Fibers
Wing: Blue Dun Hackle Tips, upright
and divided.
Body: Pink Floss
Rib: Gold Tinsel
Hackle: Grizzly

Tying Tips: Easy to tie. I prefer a Mustad #94840 or #94833. The original thread color was black. Some tiers prefer to tie it in white or pink.

Fishing Tips: Attractor pattern originally designed to be a consistent producer of fish.

Historical Note: This fly was created by R.G. “Bob” Fortney in 1932. Mr. Fortney worked for the Michigan Department of Conservation as a District Supervisor of Fisheries Operations back in the 1930’s. The fly was named by, and commercially tied by Mr. L. Robey from Newaygo, Michigan. The fly is also tied in a wet version using mallard quill wings. Mr. Fortney died in 1966, at the age of 76. He is survived by his son, Bob II and his grandson Bob III.

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