

Coulson's Brown Drake Emerger *



Recipe

Hook:	Mustad #9671, 2XL Size: 10
Thread:	Dark Brown, 6/0
Tail:	Pheasant Tail Barbs, three
Wing:	White Deer Hair or White Kip Tail, tied post.
Body:	Deer Hair, tan or brown, tied parallel to the hook, very slightly flared at the tail.
Rib:	Brown Thread, tied crisscross
Hackle:	Brown, tied parachute

Tying Tips: Standard techniques. Tied drake style.

Fishing Tips: This fly was developed as an emerger pattern for mayflies. The body color should be adjusted for the flies on the water. Fish dead drift. Retrieval should be active and uneven.

Historical Note: This fly was developed by the late Milt Coulson of Michigan. He was a board member of TU for many years and helped to organize the Challenge Chapter. This fly was most likely developed in the mid to late 1960's.

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* *Comment:* There is a lot of confusion about the similarities of some Michigan patterns. This pattern strongly resembles Robert's Yellow Drake and Madsen's Hatching Caddis (and other patterns). In Michigan we have what is known as a standard 'drake' pattern. That means deer hair tied parallel to the hook shank, crisscrossed thread ribbing and a modest tail usually of pheasant tail or moose hair. Many patterns are *extremely* similar, sometimes only having a very minute difference such as thread color or shade of body hair. Often times patterns are duplicated in creation because of the lack of knowledge that it already exist.