

Deer Fly



Recipe

Hook: Mustad #94840 Size: 14-16
Thread: Black, 6/0
Body: Peacock Herl
Wing: Grizzly Hen Hackle Tips, tied
down wing, delta style.
Hackle: Grizzly

Tying Tips: Standard techniques. According to one of Bob's students this fly was also tied in sizes #10 and #12.

Fishing Tips: This was designed to imitate a deer fly (*Chrysops* genus). It should be fished under cedar trees and under bridges, or any time deer flies are present. Tied oversize it probably imitated horse flies (*Tabanus* genus).

Historical Note: Bob Smock (1927-2005) was a celebrated tyer from the Grayling, Michigan area. His mentor and fly tying teacher was Clarence Roberts. This fly was most likely created by Bob between 1981 and 1986, when Bob owned the "Old Au Sable Sporting Goods" shop in Grayling, Michigan.

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