

Hopper Special



Recipe

Hook: Mustad #79580 4XL Size: 10-12
Thread: Black, 6/0
Tail: Mottled Turkey
Body: Pale Yellow-Gray-Green Yarn
Rib: Grizzly Hackle, palmered and Trimmed.
Underwing: Golden Pheasant Crest (yellow).
Overwing: Mottled Turkey
Legs: Peacock Herl, knotted to make the joint in the legs.
Hackle: Brown

Tying Tips: Difficult and time consuming. The peacock herl for the legs should be selected from the eye feathers. The legs can be tied either under or over the wings. The legs are very delicate and do not hold up well under constant casting.

Fishing Tips: Any time during hopper season.

Historical Note: This fly was originated in the Kalamazoo, MI area. It was most probably created by Mr. C.L. Batchelder of the same area. The best guess as to the time of creation is in the mid to late 1970's.

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