

Houghton Lake Special



Recipe

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| Hook: | Mustad #79580 | Size: 2-4 |
| Thread: | Black, 3/0 | |
| Tail: (tag) | Red Wool Yarn | |
| Body: | Black Chenille | |
| Rib: | Silver Tinsel (med. to wide), close Wraps | |
| Wing: | Brown Buck Tail over White Buck Tail (1/3 white, 2/3 brown), tied full | |
| Hackle: | Brown, tied heavy | |

Tying Tips: May substitute with any streamer or dry fly hook in a 3X Long. This fly is also tied in sizes 6-8. The original body was probably black wool yarn.

Fishing Tips: This fly was designed for night fishing. It is fished on the surface, both wet and dry. Most local fisherman really 'grease' it up to keep it a surface fly. It is normally fished dead drift as a dry. When the dead drift is complete, it's stripped back as a very effective streamer.

Historical Notes: This fly has been fished in Michigan waters since the 1940's. It is a tremendous producer of big brown trout and is still available in most fly fishing shops. The history of this fly is cloudy to say the least. Several people have claimed the creation of this fly, but credit should probably go Bob Jewel. Mr. Jewel was a principal in Pinconning, MI. and is reputed to have taught Calvin Gates how to fly fish.

Tier: Unknown

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