

Night Stalker



Recipe

- Hook: Mustad #R50-94840 Size: 6
Thread: To match the body color
Tail: Hackle Tips to match body color, tied in a slight 'vee'. The tail should extend beyond the hook by one full hook length.
Underbody: Red, Blue, Green, Black, Yellow or White dyed deer hair, tied parallel to the hook shank, extended out to the full length of the tail. Flare it at the tail. Tie it off so that it slants toward the rear of the hook.
Overbody: Krystal Flash to match the underbody color.
Hackle: Dyed Deer Hair to match the underbody, measured one full hook length. Tied in at the throat, then flared and tied off so that it slants toward the rear of the hook.
Face: Dry Fly Hackle, to match the body Color.

Tying Tips: Use standard techniques. Be generous with cement. Do not wrap the deer so tight on the body as to destroy its floating ability. In the example above I chose to use deer hair dyed kingfisher blue and the hackle was powder blue. This series of flies I tie in the six colors that I mentioned in the above recipe, but you may tie them in your personal color preferences.

Fishing Tips: This was designed as a night fishing fly. Be sure you prep the fly with your favorite floatant. Fished in still to slow waters I fish it dry using a twitching technique. Once the has become waterlogged you may continue to fish it wet using a slow retrieve. Most fishermen use a light colored fly on a dark night and a dark colored fly on a light night. This fly seem to work best by doing the opposite.

Historical Note: I developed this series of flies in 2008, to be used for night fishing. These flies have been fished in three states and on over a dozen rivers with a great deal of success.

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