

Parachute Fire Fly



Recipe

- Hook: Mustad #94840 or #94833 Size: 10
Thread: Tan, 6/0
Underbody: Natural Deer Body Hair, butts tied in at the throat. Leave the tips to extend far beyond the end of the hook.
Overbody: Wrap over the body hair with, Yellow, Glow-In-The-Dark, Flashabou, the full length of the shank.
Shellback: Extended Deer Hair should be pulled forward over the body and tied off at the throat.
Post: Pull the deer hair to the vertical position and tie it off, post style.
Hackle: Ginger, tied parachute

Tying Tips: I prefer to lacquer the shellback. If you do, lacquer it before tying in the hackle.

Fishing Tips: This is a very acceptable beetle pattern that can be used when ever a beetle pattern is called for. However, it has the added advantage of ‘glowing in the dark.’ Just shine a light on it and it will stay charged for about 2-3 minutes. When the fire flies are out this is the only pattern to use. It is designed to imitate the three most common genera (*Photuis*, *Photuris* and *Photinus*) here in North America. From the fishes view point, the coloration is perfect. I would not go night fishing with out it!

Historical Note: Created in 2008 by Tom Deschaine, a retired school teacher from Westland, Michigan. Tom is a fly tier and custom rod builder.

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