

Robber Fly



Recipe

Hook:	Dry Fly	Size: #14
Thread:	Tan, 6/0 for the abdomen	Black, 6/0 for the balance
Tail/Abdomen:	Grayish-Tan Deer Body Hair,	tied extended body, crisscrossed with tan thread.
Body/Thorax:	Peacock Herl	
Wings:	Deer Body Hair, divided, tied	down over the body delta wing style.
Hackle:	Brown & Grizzly, mixed	

Tying Tips: Tail/Abdomen should be a little thicker than a wooden kitchen match.

Fishing Tips: It is primarily a hot weather fly but it also effective through the brisk days of fall. Fish it as you would a hopper, along grassy cut banks, logs or any type of obvious cover.

Historical Notes: This fly pattern was developed by Chauncy Lively in 1967. Although he did not move to Michigan from Pennsylvania until 1974, he often summered here in Michigan. The fly was designed to imitate 'robber flies' he was observing on the South Branch of the Au Sable River. The robber flies are non-aquatic dipterans that are fiercely predaceous on other insects. They are often found floating on the surface of the waters. This fly was tied from a photograph of a Robber Fly actually tied by Chauncy.

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