

Ted's Gray Irresistible



Recipe

Hook: Mustad #94840 Size: 8-12
Thread: Black, 6/0
Tail: Fox Squirrel or bucktail
Body: Gray Yarn or dubbing, with the top or back of natural deer hair extended to one third of the tail and flared.
Rib: Crisscrossed thread
Wing: Gray Hackle Tips
Hackle: Grizzly

Tying Tips: Once you have pulled the deer hair over the back, flared the tail and crisscrossed the thread --- trim off the butts of the deer hair before you tie in the wings.

Fishing Tips: A good generalized pattern that could be used for most any situations (see variations under historical notes). A very good floater.

Historical Note: This fly was created by Ted Earl, a commercial tier from Kingsley, Michigan. His peak years were in the 1970s. Ted later moved to Arkansas. This fly was created in the mid to late 1960s. This fly is one of a series of four. Ted's Brown Drake Irresistible had brown yarn or dubbing, brown wing tips and brown hackle. Ted's Adams Irresistible had grizzly hackle tips and mixed brown & grizzly hackle. Ted's White Irresistible had a white body, white hackle tips and a white hackle.

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