

# Texas Hopper



## Recipe

Hook: Dry Fly XL Size: 4-14  
Thread: Black, 6/0  
Tail: Red Duck Quill, tied in a 'V'  
Body: White Chenille, tapered  
Underwing: Red Calftail or Squirrel Tail  
Overwing: Mottled Turkey Wing, tied flat,  
down over the body  
Hackle: Brown

*Tying Tips:* Art Winnie never specified which animal hair he used for the underwing. He did comment that the fly was tied very rugged ... calftail or squirrel tail were commonly used in the 1940s.

*Fishing Tips:* Used during the hopper season.

*Historical Note:* Art says: "I have devised a new lure which has been taking fish consistently for a long period of time. I named it the Texas Hopper because the first large order for the new item came from the Lone Star State. It's like my regular hopper except it has a white body and a red underwing." Art created this fly in 1949.

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