

Widdicomb



Recipe

Hook:	Mustad Dry Fly	Size: 12-14
Thread:	Black, 6/0	
Tail:	Wood Duck Flank Fibers	
Body:	Stripped Peacock Quill	
Wing:	Light Dun Hackle Tips, tied spent	
Hackle:	Golden Badger, tied light	

Tying Tips: Standard Techniques. I also lacquer the body.

Fishing Tips: Used in early summer for the mayfly hatches. Use a delicate presentation.

Historical Note: Ralph Widdicomb (1873-1959) was from Grand Rapids, Michigan. The family business was furniture manufacturing. Ralph was a highly respected and experienced fisherman who spent most of his fishing time on the Pere Marquette the Baldwin and Little Manistee Rivers. According to Len Halladay's family, Ralph taught Len Halladay how to tie flies in 1917. Although this fly was conceived by Ralph Widdicomb, Len Halladay of Mayfield, Michigan reportedly tied the first fly from Widdicomb's description. This fly was on the water sometime between 1917 and 1920.

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