

# Winnie's Michigan Caddis

## Recipe



Hook: Dry Fly Size 8 Long Shank  
Thread: Black 6/0  
Tail: Three Natural Bucktail Hairs,  
tied long.  
Body: Gold Yarn  
Rib: Gold Tinsel  
Wing: Gray Mallard, upright & divided.  
Hackle: Brown, tied heavy, fore and aft.

*Tying Tips:* May be tied in sizes 6-10.

*Fishing Tips:* Used for the *Hexagenia* hatch.

*Historical Note:* This beautiful pattern was created by Art Winnie back in the 1920's. It is also called the, "Michigan Caddis" or "Winnie's Fore-And-Aft." Art Winnie created this fly for the *Hexagenia* hatch and mistakenly referred to it as a 'caddis'. The term stuck --- we still refer to the bug as a caddis and the hatch as the 'caddis hatch'.

I haven't seen this pattern in many years, nor do I know of anyone who fishes With it any more. This fly was actually tied by Art Winnie and was graciously supplied by Mr. Tom Gauthier who has a modest collection of Art's original flies.

*Tier:* Art Winnie

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