

# Woodchuck Caddis



## Recipe

Hook: Mustad #94840    Size: 12-16  
Thread: Black, 6/0  
Tail: Woodchuck Hair  
Body: Black Floss  
Wing: Woodchuck Hair, tied trude  
Hackle: Brown

*Tying Tips:* Standard techniques. The female version of this fly is tied with a yellow floss tag/butt. The original was never tied in a size #18 but will tie them that size for the 'Chimarra' hatch.

*Fishing Tips:* Used April through August, anytime there are dark insects on the water. It's an over-all generalized caddis pattern.

*Historical Note:* The creator is Josephine-Borsum. She was the owner of Ed's Sport Shop in Baldwin, Michigan from 1945 to 1992. This pattern was discovered while rummaging through a collection of her flies supplied by Mr. David Stewart. I spoke with Mr. David Roller who used to work with 'Jo' and he confirmed that this was in-fact one of her creations created sometime in the mid 1950's. The 'Woodchuck Caddis' is not the original name of this pattern --- I'm afraid that's lost to antiquity. If any of you readers happen to know of the original name, we'd like to know.

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