

Woolly Worm



Recipe

Hook: Mustad #94840 or #94833 Size: 6
Thread: Green, 6/0
Body: Rusty Brown, Mylar 'Woolly Chenille'
Hackle: Dark Ginger, palmered the full length of the body.
Head: Yellow Thread, 6/0

Tying Tips: Easy to tie. Do not substitute the body material. This is a dry fly pattern ---Mylar 'Woolly Chenille' is more water resistant than regular chenille.

Fishing Tips: Woolly Worms are quite prevalent on the river banks in mid to late October throughout the entire country. Toss them up against the bank or bump them off logs or rocks. Can be tied in larger or smaller sizes for bass and pan fish. Can also be fished as a wet fly.

Historical Note: Most Woolly Worms are designed as wet flies but, this fly is designed as a dry. The traditional tail was removed to help it float better. This fly was created and tied by Bill Koernke of Grayling, Michigan. He was a tier and the owner of Bill's Fly Shop back in the 1980's and 1990's. His shop was located on Lovells Road just south of County Road 612. Request for additional information on Bill and his recipes have not been acknowledged by his family. The recipe was constructed by reverse engineering, under a microscope.

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