

March 2024 FLY OF THE MONTH "CDC Loop Wing Emerger – Moose Mane"



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CDC Loop Wing Emerger Moose Mane

CDC Loop Wing Emerger tied with a Light and Dark Moose Mane Hair. The Light and Dark Moose Mane Hairs when tied together give the abdomen a segmented look. Using the Peacock Herl for the Thorax gives life as the CDC Feathers tied in as Loop give the look as if the wings are coming out, and the CDC will float in the water surface.

Tying Video: https://youtu.be/C--mOIORZf4?si=0JoZNa31NEMIEkD1

Materials for this fly are.

Hook Caddis Pupae Emerger Hook sizes 12 to 20

Thread: Black 6/0

Abdomen: 2 strands of Moose Mane, one dark and one white

Thorax: Peacock Herl

Wing: CDC feathers tied in a loop.

1. Curved hooks are not like are straight shanked hooks. So, mounting them in

the vise can be a little confusing. Have the shank near the eye to be level with the base of the fly tying vise.



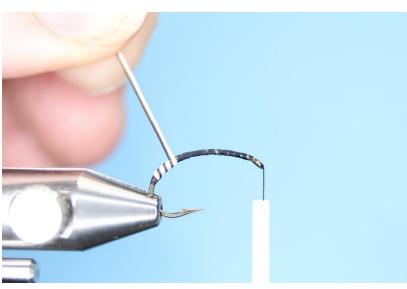
2. Finding the bend of the hook is also a challenge, by bringing the thread to down the shank towards the bend, when the thread forms a 30



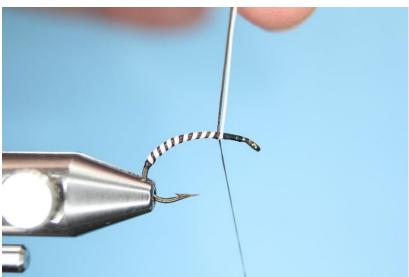
degree angle at the hook point, that will be the bend of the hook where we want to start tying the abdomen.



3. Take two strands of moose mane, one dark and one white, tie them in together side by side so it will look like a ribbon. Suggestion: Keep the dark strand on the outside.



4. Wrap both the light and dark moose mane hairs together, do not twist them, you want to use touching wraps as you wrap the shank of the hook.



5. Finish wrapping the moose mane to where the thorax will be tied. You can go past and into the thorax since the material is thin. I am stopping at least 3 eye lengths away from the eye of the hook.

After you secure the moose mane, I would add either a UV Resin to the body or head cement to make the abdomen durable



6. Take two CDC feathers and lay them on top of each other, convex side down. Tie them to the thorax position. Have the tips extend past the bend so when they are folded over the thorax they will form a bubble loop wing.



7. Tie in two strands of peacock herl to form the thorax. They will be made into a rope.



8. The peacock herl thorax is one third the length of the hook shank.



9. Pull the CDC feathers over the thorax, leaving a loop to extend over the abdomen. A few strands of CDC will stick out the back but that is good for a trailing shuck illusion.



10. Trim the tips of the CDC Feathers. Whipfinish



11. Add a drop of head cement to the head of the fly

Tiers Notes: The first fly I saw when I was a child was the Mosquito dry fly. I think I was 10 years old. That fly was a store bought fly that my father had with his bamboo Montique Fly Rod. I was fascinated with how the body had that black and white wrapping. Many years later I learned how to wrap moose mane to give that segmented look.

I have also tied the fly as a CDC wing





Or a Moose Mane Klinkhammer

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