

Blue Wing Olive



Recipe

Hook:	Dry fly hook size 12 - 18
Thread:	Tan/olive 8/0
Tail:	dun (grey) hackle/tailing fibers
Body:	olive dubbing
Hackle:	dun (grey) hackle

Tying Instructions:

Start your thread a little ahead of the mid-point of the shank. Wrap to the back of the shank. Tie in a small bunch of grey hackle fibers or grey micro fibers. The length of the tail should be at least one shank's length or a little more. The tail should extend out straight behind the hook. Dub some olive dubbing onto the thread and wrap a slender body to the original tie in point, slight on the eye side of the mid-point of the shank. Tie in one grey hackle. The hackle should be 1 ½ to 2 times the gap of the hook in order to be properly sized. Tie the hackle in on the bare stem with the shiny side of the hackle facing you. Then continue dubbing to behind the eye of the hook. This dubbing should be very thin. Gently pull the hackle over the eye of the hook to "cock" it. Then wrap it around the shank in close wraps toward the eye, probably 5 or 6 wraps. Tie off with 3 or 4 tight wraps and 2 half hitches or a whip finish. Trim the thread and place a drop of head cement on the head.