

Marabou Muddler



Materials

Hook	3xl Natural Bend 6-10
Thread	Black
Tail	Red Schlappen
Body	Gold Tinsel
Wing	Orange Marabou
Over Wing	Peacock Herl
Collar / Head	Natural Deer Body Hair

Start your thread about a 1/3 of the shank back from the eye. Leave the front 1/3 of the shank bare for the muddler head later. Lay down a base of thread back to the bend. Tie in a tail with a bundle of red schlappen fibers length about the gape of the hook. Wind the thread back to the original tie in spot. Tie in a piece of mylar tinsel with the gold side against the hook shank. Apply a small amount of head cement to the thread wraps then wrap the tinsel with the gold side out back to the tie in point of the tail then forward with side by side wraps. Tie off the tinsel and cut off the excess. Prepare an orange marabou feather and tie in so it is just beyond the tail. (It is sometimes helpful to wet the marabou feather before tying in) Cut off the excess of the feather and bind down the ends. Tie in 3 or 4 peacock herls as an over wing. Prepare and stack a bundle of deer hair. Tie in a muddler collar. If necessary, prepare and stack a bundle of deer hair to finish the head. Finish the fly with with half hitches or a whip finish Trim the deer hair head into a bullet shaped muddler head being careful not to cut the collar. Apply a small amount of head cement to the thread wraps.