
FLY OF THE MONTH

GREEN SUPER SAGE

Hook:	TMC 3769 sizes 10 - 16
Thread:	Olive 6/0 - 8/0
Tail:	Sage Grouse black feather fibers
Body:	Green Super floss
Thorax:	Peacock herl



1. Wrap the shank of the hook with a layer of thread. Tie in the tail it should be no longer than the hook shank.
2. Tie in the body material. Super floss is a rubberized material and can be stretched. I try not to stretch it too much. If you wrap it around the hook with a minimum amount of stretch you end up with a built in segmentation. If you pull it too tight it will look flat with no segmentation. Wrap it forward to about the 1/4 point and tie off.
3. Wrap a peacock herl on in front of the body. Wrap it forward to just behind the hook eye forming a short thorax.
4. Make a neat tapered head, whip finish and apply head cement.

This is a very easy tie. It can be tied in other colors - olive, bright brown, orange, red or yellow. I have not tried it in any color other than green. I caught and released 17 large trout at Henry's Lake in one morning a couple of years ago with this fly. It wouldn't work for me the next day! I fished it with a slow 6 to 8 inch strip while moving very slowly in my pontoon kick boat.

There was an omission on the Fly of the Month last month, the Swimming Damsel. The pattern called for a fine gold or copper wire rib. Step number three tied the ribbing on but there was no step to wind it forward. You need to wrap the ribbing forward over the completed body. After step number four. Sorry about that.

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