DICK'S BUG



Recipe

Hook......Wet/Nymph, size 10-16 Thread......Black, 6/0 Head.....Bead, brass/gold/black, sized for hook Tail.....Krystal flash or equivalent, pink pearl Rib.....Copper wire, small Body.....Peacock herl or peacock dubbing in a dubbing loop

- 1. Place the bead on the hook, then attach the thread slightly behind the bead and wrap a tight thread base back down the hook shank to the hook bend. Let the thread hang.
- 2. Cut a short length of flash and tie it in at the hook bend as a tail. The tail should be the length of the hook shank. Tie down the butts of the flash up to behind the bead head with tight wraps of thread. Remove any excess flash and leave the thread behind the bead.
- 3. Cut a 3"-4" piece of copper wire and stick one end into the back of the bead (not through the bead) and then bind down the length of the wire with tight thread wraps back to the hook bend. The remaining length of wire should be projecting out past the bend of the hook and will be used as the rib. Let the thread hang.
- 4. Select three or four peacock herls, remove the brown butts and tie them in by the butt ends at the hook bend. Take the thread and make 4-5 palmered wraps of thread over the length of the herl to create a peacock rope. Wrap this peacock rope forward to behind the bead and tie it off. Remove any remaining herl. (If using dubbing, form a dubbing loop at the hook bend and fill it lightly with dubbing, then twist the loop tight and wrap the loop forward in tight touching turns to behind the bead and tie it off. Remove any remaining loop.)
- 5. Grasp the copper wire and palmer it through the peacock body to behind the bead. Tie it off and remove any excess wire.
- 6. Do a whip finish behind the bead and cut the thread. Apply head cement to the whip finish if desired.

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