SPAATZ



Recipe

Hook.....Mustad 3906B, size 12-14

Thread......Black, 6/0 or 8/0

Bead......Brass
Body.....Thread
Collar.....CDC, Black
Underwing....Marabou, Red

Wing.....Hen pheasant body feather

Head.....Thread

- 1. Place the bead on the hook and place the hook in the vise. Attach the thread slightly behind the hook eye and wrap a tight thread base back to the bend of the hook, then reverse direction and wrap the thread back forward to behind the hook eye to form a thread body. For a heavier body, just repeat wrapping the thread until you reach the desired thickness. Return the thread to behind the bead.
- 2. Select 5-6 **fluffy** marabou fibers and tie them in right behind the bead. The fibers should reach back to 1/2 the hook gap past the hook bend. Remove any excess fiber butts.
- 3. Select a well-marked hen pheasant body feather and trim off the fluff. Measure it so that the tip extends back to the end of the tail. Stick the butt end (without any barbs of it) into the back of the bead on top of the hook shank over the marabou and tie it in with several tight thread wraps. (This wing should now be laying flat over the top of the marabou--see the picture.)
- 4. Select a large black CDC feather and tie it behind the bead by its tip. Take 2-3 wraps of the feather behind the bead as a collar and tie it off. Remove any excess feather.
- 5. Whip finish behind the bead, cut the thread, and cement the thread wraps behind the bead. (Be careful to avoid getting cement in the CDC.)