WOOLY WORM



Recipe

Hook	Streamer/Nymph, Size 4-10
Thread	. 6/0, color of your choice
Weight (optional	Lead wire/bead/cone
Tail	Wool yarn, hackle fibers, or marabou, color of your choice
Rib (optional)	Fine wire/tinsel
Body	Chenille, color of your choice
Hackle	Grizzly or brown, sized for hook/palmered
Head	Thread

- 1. Tie-in the thread behind the hook eye and wrap it back to the bend of the hook.
- 2. (If using optional lead wire, wrap a short length of lead wire forward in tight spiral turns from mid hook shank to approximately 1/8" behind hook eye, then wrap the thread forward over lead wire to lightly cover it, wrap the thread back to the bend of the hook. Apply cement to the lead wire.)
- 3. Cut a 1" piece of wool yarn and tie it in by one end at the bend of the hook with the length of the yarn extending out past the hook bend. Measure the tail to equal the length of the hook gap and trim off any excess.
- 4. (If using a rib, tie-in a 4-5" length of wire or tinsel at the same point you tied-in the tail. The length of the rib should extend back over the hook bend.)
- 5. Select a hackle feather and tie it in by tip at the same point you tied in the tail.
- 6. Cut a 5-6" piece of chenille, clean one end to reveal a short section of the core, then tie-in the exposed core at same point you tied in the tail.
- 7. Now wrap the chenille forward in tight touching turns from the butt of the tail to one hook eye length behind the hook eye. Tie off the chenille, trim off any excess and let the thread hang.
- 8. Palmer the hackle forward in open-spaced turns to slightly behind the hook eye and tie it off. Remove any excess hackle. Let the thread hang.
- 9. (If using a rib, **counter-wrap** the wire/tinsel between the hackle wraps up to hook eye and tie off. Trim off any excess rib.)
- 10. Form thread head, whip finish, cut thread, and apply head cement.

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