

# Aquatic Nuisance



## Recipe:

**Hook:** Daiichi 2461 size 1 or 1/0 or 3-6xl streamer hook

**Tail:** Dark Brown or Dark Olive Rabbit Strip, Tied in as a tail at the shank of the hook and pulled forward over 2/3 of the hook length.

**Body:** (remant of rabbit strip)

**Hackle:** Copper Hackle Flash wound through the rabbit strip. Olive shlapen or black emu are both good as a substitute

**Collar:** Large Mallard Flank

**Wing:** Abundant copper flashabou topped with a great deal of Kelly green or bullfrog flashabou.

**Head:** Dark olive wool tied sculpin head style. An interesting head can also be made with dark olive ice dubbing tied in as a clump.

Many of the flies that we swing for steelhead are natural, earthtone flies that are good representations of actual baitfish such as sculpins and chubs. Steelhead will take flashy flies, provided that they are shaped like baitfish and bear a resemblance in shape to natural food sources. This fly is shaped like a baitfish but its color scheme is designed to provoke a strike.

It is great to incorporate flash into steelhead flies. Good flashabou colors include pearl, bullfrog, or starburst. The best color combination that I have found is copper and Kelly green. This fly is a great producer for steelhead and lake run brown trout.

It is effective in the dead of winter, though this fly is a better choice when the water temperatures are in the high 30s or warmer.



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