



Fly Pattern Sheet:
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Grapefruit Head Leech:

Materials:

Hook: Daiichi 2461 or equivalent 3xl streamer hook size 4-2/0

Tail: Black Marabou with sparse red flash

Hackle: Black or Purple Schlappen

Body: Black Marabou Feather

Collar: Large Mallard Flank

Flash: Combination of Green, Silver, and Blue Flashabou

Head: Fuchsia large cactus chenille followed by a veil of chartreuse ice dub

Tying Instructions:

- 1. Cover the hook with thread using tight wraps and bring the thread to the back of the hook.
- 2. Tie in a tail of black marabou, add a few strands of red flash over the top.
- 3. Tie in the schlappen feather by its tip.
- 4. Tie in a black marabou feather by its tip and wind it forward to about a 2/3 the way up the hook shank.
- 5. Wind the schlappen feather through the marabou, being careful to bind down only a minimum of fibers.
- 6. Add a collar of mallard flank or blue eared pheasant in front of the body.
- 7. Add flash to the top of the fly in layers. First add some silver flashabou, then blue, and then Kelly green.
- 8. Tie a piece of cactus chenille and wind it forward for a couple of turns, leaving a little bit of room behind the eyes.
- 9. Force a clump of chartreuse ice dubbing behind the eyes and bind it with your thread so that it forms a circular veil over the cactus chenille.
- 10. Finish the fly.

Comments: This is one of the most dependable winter flies. I use it whenever there is snow on the ground.