

Copper John



Hook: 1x or 2x long nymph hook, sizes 10-18 (I use a Tiemco 3761), weight optional

Head: Gold bead (Cyclops or tungsten)

Thread: Black, 6/0 or 8/0

Tail: Brown goose biot or turkey biot, tied V-style

Abdomen: Copper Ultra Wire

Wing case: Pearl flashabou over Thin Skin (or turkey tail)

Thorax: Peacock

Legs: Hungarian partridge, tied divided style

For the finishing touch, use either a drop of 5-minute epoxy on top of thorax or UV Knot Sense (my choice).

This fly has proven quite effective during low water conditions on the White River. I cast 45 degrees upstream and let it dead drift with a couple of line mends. I use a low-profile strike indicator. Most of my takes have happened downstream from my position.

Good Tying, Good Fishing & Good Luck!!!

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