

CLOUSER SWIMMING NYMPH

Hook: TMC 200R sz 4—10

Thread: 6/0 color to match body

Weight: Lead free wire .020

Tail: Marabou or fur with crystal flash on each side

Rib: Mylar tinsel oval or flat

Body: Dubbing Olive, Orange/Rust, Brown, Cream

Wing case: Peacock herl

Legs: Speckled hen

Head: Thread

1) Begin the fly by placing a debarbed hook into the vise. Using the lead free wire make wraps for the underbody of the fly, make some extra wraps by the eye for the thorax. Start the thread just in front of the wire and wrap back and forth over the wire securing it. Bring the thread to the bend of the hook and tie in the marabou tail along with crystal flash on either side of it. Next tie in a strand of Mylar for the ribbing of the fly.

2) Now begin to dub the body forming a taper towards the eye of the hook. Be sure to leave room for the thorax and legs at the front of the hook. After the body is dubbed wrap the Mylar up to the point where the thorax will start, be sure to spiral wrap the Mylar to allow the body color to show through. Next tie in 5—7 strands of peacock herl to be used as the thorax, wrap the thread all the way to where the body ended to start the thorax. Dub the thorax just as was done for the body, making it larger in diameter. Fold the peacock over the thorax to form the wing case, tie it off and clip the excess.

3) Finally prepare the feather for the legs by stripping off the fibers from one side of it. Tie in the feather for the legs in front of the thorax and make one or two wraps around the hook, tie off the feather and clip the excess. Pull the fibers of the feather around to the bottom of the hook and secure them with several thread wraps. Form a neat head and whip finish it.

