

## BLUEGILL TRICK-R-TREAT



### Recipe

Hook.....Wet, size 10 - 14

Thread.....Black 6/0

Weight.....Lead wire .015 (Optional)

Tail.....Grizzly Hackle Fibers

Rib.....Fine Gold or Silver Wire

Body.....Rear half is 4 strand floss (Your choice of color)  
                  Front half is Peacock Herl or Black Chenille

Hackle.....Grizzly (slightly oversized)

Head.....Black Thread

1. Debarb the hook and place it in your vise.
2. Tie-in the thread behind hook eye and wrap it back to over the hook barb.
3. Select 10-20 hackle fibers and tie them in as a tail on top of the hook shank over the hook barb.
4. Tie in a 4" piece of gold/silver wire at the tail tie-in point as a rib. Flatten the thread and wrap over both the tail hackle butts and the rib butt up to about 3-4 hook eye widths behind hook eye. Trim off the remaining hackle butts and rib butt and return the thread to mid point on the hook shank.
5. Tie in a 6" piece of floss at the mid-point of the hook shank, then wrap it back in tight close wraps to the tail, then reverse your wrap and wrap it back up the shank to its tie-in point. **(Attempt to make as even a body as possible.)** Tie off and trim the excess floss.
6. Tie in 3-4 peacock herls and at the end of the floss body. Trim the excess herl butts. Make a herl rope with the thread and the peacock herl and wrap it toward the hook eye to just 3-2 hook eye widths behind the hook eye. Tie off the herl rope and remove the excess herl. **(The herl part of the body should be tight against the floss body and be only slightly thicker than the floss body.)**

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7. Wrap the wire rib up the hook shank in 5-6 equidistant wraps over both the floss and herl body parts. Tie it off and remove the excess wire.
8. Tie-in the hackle by the tip at the end of the herl body and make 3-4 wraps collar style and then tie it off and remove the excess.
9. Form a thread head **(be sure to wrap the thread head slightly over the end of the hackle so that the hackle will lay back over the body of the fly)**, whip finish, and cut the thread.
10. Apply head cement, if desired.

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