

# BROWN HACKLE PEACOCK NYMPH



## Recipe

Hook.....Wet, 3X long, sizes 4-16  
Thread.....Black 6/0  
Weight.....Lead wire .015 (Optional)  
Tail.....Brown Hackle fibers  
Rib.....Copper wire (thru both abdomen and thorax)  
Body.....Peacock Herl  
Wingcase....Turkey feather segment (treated)  
Legs.....Brown Hackle  
Head.....Thread

1. Debarb the hook and place it in your vise.
2. Tie-in the thread behind hook eye and wrap it down the hook shank to over the hook barb. **(If using lead wire, make 6-10 wraps in the middle of the hook shank and cover with thread to secure the lead.)**
3. Select 10-12 brown hackle fibers and tie them in on top of the hook shank at the hook bend as a tail. **(The tail should be the length of the hook gap.)** Wrap the thread forward to mid shank, binding down the hackle butts on top of the hook shank. Trim off the excess hackle butts. Let the thread hang. **(If you have used lead wire, wrap over the butts to the rearmost lead wrap, then remove any excess hackle butt.)**
4. Cut a 4"-5" piece of copper wire and tie it in on top of the hook shank at the end of the hackle butts. The length of the wire should extend back over the hook bend. Wrap thread over the wire back to the hook bend. Let the thread hang.
5. Select 4-5 peacock herls and tie them in on top of the hook shank at the hook bend. Form a herl rope with the thread and the peacock herls, and wrap it forward over the rear 2/3rds of the hook shank, forming a slightly tapered abdomen. Tie off the herl and unravel the herl rope but **do not remove the excess herl**. Let the thread hang.

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6. Now cut a segment of treated turkey feather as wide as the hook gap. Tie this segment in **(shiny side down)** tight in front of the abdomen, with its length extending back toward the hook bend. Take the excess herl and form a herl rope, then wrap forward forming a thick herl thorax. **(Insure that the herl is wrapped tightly against the base of turkey segment so that there is no gap between the abdomen and the thorax.)** Tie off the herl rope slightly behind the hook eye, leaving room to tie off the wingcase. Let the thread hang.
7. Wrap the copper wire forward through both the abdomen and the thorax in 8-9 evenly spaced concentric wraps to just behind the hook eye. Tie off the wire and remove any excess. Let the thread hang.
8. Cut 12-15 hackle fibers and tie them in just behind the hook eye on the underside of the hook shank to form legs. These legs should reach back to the hook point. Trim off any excess fiber butts.
9. Now grasp the turkey segment wingcase, pull it firmly over the top of the thorax, and tie it down behind the hook eye. **(Make sure the wingcase stays centered on top of thorax.)** Trim off any excess turkey segment.
10. Form a thread head, whip finish, and cut thread. **(The thread head should butt tightly against the front of the wing case.)**
11. Apply head cement if desired.

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