

## GOLD-RIBBED HARE'S EAR



### Recipe

Hook.....Nymph, size 8-16

Thread.....Tan or Brown 6/0

Tail.....Hare's mask guard hairs or Brown hackle fibers

Rib.....Oval gold tinsel or copper wire

Body.....Hare's ear dubbing (thorax dubbed thicker than abdomen)

Wingcase..Turkey quill segment (coated with fixative)

Head.....Thread (can also use optional brass bead)

1. Tie-in thread at midpoint of hook shank and wrap back to hook bend. (If making a bead head fly, insert bead on hook before tying-in thread.)
2. Tie-in 10-15 hare's mask guard hairs at bend to form tail. Wrap thread over butt end of hair to middle of hook shank, then cut off remaining hair butt fibers. Let thread hang.
3. Tie-in a 2" inch length of oval gold tinsel and wrap thread back over tinsel to hook bend.
4. Apply hare's mask dubbing to thread and wrap forward to middle of the hook shank to form a small tapered abdomen.
5. Wrap tinsel forward over dubbing in 4-5 open-spiral turns and tie off with several thread turns. Trim off excess ribbing.
6. Tie-in a ½" wide turkey quill segment, shiny side up and pointing toward hook bend, at front of the abdomen. Snip off butt end of quill segment. Let thread hang.
7. Apply generous amount of dubbing to thread and, ensuring that quill tie-in point is covered, wrap dubbed thread forward to about one hook eye length behind the hook eye. Ensure that the thorax is more heavily dubbed and thicker than the abdomen.
7. Pull the turkey quill segment forward over the thorax to just behind hook eye and tie off with several thread turns to form wing case.
8. Form a thread head, whip finish, trim thread and apply head cement.
9. Using dubbing needle, pluck out fibers from bottom of thorax to form legs.