

LEE WULFF SURFACE STONE VARIANT



Side



Top

Recipe

Hook.....Salmon, size 6

Thread.....Chartreuse, 6/0

Post.....Poly yarn, white or color of your choice

Hackle.....Saddle hackle, badger or cream

Body.....Chartreuse foam, 2mm

Wing.....Badger hair or Grey Squirrel tail

Thorax.....Chartreuse Diamond Brite or Prism dubbing
blended with badger hair underfur

1. Place the hook in the vise and tie-in the thread behind the hook eye at the point where the folded end of the hook eye touches the hook shank and wrap a tight thread base back over the front half of the hook shank, then reverse direction and wrap the thread back to the tie-in point. Let the thread hang.
2. Cut a 2" piece of poly yarn and tie it in by its middle on top of the hook shank at the thread tie-in point with several tight thread wraps. Lift up both ends of the yarn and wrap thread around them up their length for about 1/4" forming a tight thread post, then wrap the thread back down to the base of the post.
3. Select a hackle feather and measure the barb fibers to find the point where the barbs are the length of the hook shank. Strip off the longer fibers below that point exposing the bare quill. Tie the feather in by its bare quill upright against the side of the thread post with tight thread wraps. (*The barbs should start at the top of the post.*) Return the thread to the base of the post, trim off any excess quill butt, and wrap the thread back to the hook bend.
4. Cut a strip of foam about 1/4" wide and 4" long. Cut a taper in one end and tie it in by this tapered end on top of the hook shank (*Be sure the straight side of the tapered end is on top.*) The length of the strip should project out over the hook bend. Bind down the butt end of the strip with tight thread wraps. Wrap the thread back to behind the post.

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5. If desired for durability, coat the hook shank with super glue, then wrap the foam strip up the hook shank in overlapping turns to slightly behind the post and tie it off. Be sure to keep tension on the foam strip as you wrap it to form a thin body. Remove any excess foam and tie down the butt with tight thread wraps.
6. Snip a **small** clump of badger hair or squirrel tail hair from the skin. (*Pull the hair upright to even the tips before you cut it off as close to the skin as possible.*) Remove all the underfur but don't throw it away as we will use it later. Measure the hair to be the length of the hook shank and tie it in tightly by the butts as a wing on top of the hook shank slightly behind the post and tightly against the front of the foam abdomen. Wrap tight thread wraps over the hair butts to the back of the post, then pull the remaining hair butts around the side of the post toward the hook eye and cover them with thread wraps. Wrap the thread back to behind the post to the wing tie-in point.
7. Take a clump of dubbing and blend it with the underfur from step 6, then dub the thread and wrap it from the front of the wing to the back of the post. Be sure to cover any thread wraps. Remove any excess dubbing and wrap the thread to the front of the post.
8. Now grasp the hackle feather and wrap it down the post in tight touching turns to the hook shank and tie it off in front of the post. Remove any excess hackle.
9. Dub the thread again and x-wrap it behind the post to cover any thread wraps, then bend back the post and wrap the dubbed thread against the front of the post forming a dubbed tapered head.
10. Remove any excess dubbing, form a small thread head, whip finish, and cut the thread. Apply head cement if desired.
11. Trim the top of the post level just above the hackle.