

EZ LITTLE YELLOW STONEFLY



Recipe

Hook.....Curved Nymph, long shank, size 12-16

Thread.....Light Cahill, Tan, or Pale yellow, 3/0

Egg Sac...Red or Pink fluorescent dubbing

Body.....Superfine dubbing, sulphur yellow

Wing.....Pair of sulphur CDC feathers

Hackle.....Grizzly dyed yellow saddle hackle (Light Ginger is an acceptable substitute)

Head.....Thread

1. Place the hook in the vise and start the thread in the middle of the hook shank. Wrap a tight thread base back to slightly past the hook bend. Remove any thread tag.
2. Dub the thread with a small amount of red fluorescent dubbing and wrap a small ball of dubbing just behind the hook bend to simulate an egg sac. Remove any excess dubbing and let the thread hang.
3. Now dub the thread with yellow dubbing and wrap a slightly tapered body from the front of egg sac to just past the middle of the hook shank. Remove any excess dubbing and let the thread hang. *Make sure that the dubbed body is tight against the front of the egg sac with no spaces.*
4. Select two CDC feathers, place them back to back curved side down, and even the tips. Tie them in on top of the hook shank at the front of the dubbed body. Allow the feathers to come down the sides of the body **very slightly**. The feather wing tips should reach back to slightly past the bend of the hook shank. Remove any excess feather butts. Let the thread hang.
5. Select an appropriately sized saddle hackle and tie it in on top of the hook shank tight against the front of wings with the concave side down. Let the thread hang.
6. Now dub the thread with the yellow dubbing and form a thorax by wrapping it forward to slightly behind the hook eye in a reverse taper that is smallest just behind the hook eye. *Be sure to cover all the thread wraps for the wings and hackle.* Let the thread hang behind the hook eye.
7. Wrap (palmer) the hackle forward in 3-4 wraps to right behind the hook eye and tie it off. Remove any excess hackle.
8. Form a small thread head, whip finish, and cut the thread. Apply head cement to the thread wraps if desired

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