

## PETITJEAN EMERGER (ORIGINATED BY JEAN PETITJEAN)



### Recipe

Hook.....Dry, size 12 - 18

Thread.....Brown 8/0

Body.....Olive CDC feather

Wing.....Natural CDC feather

Thorax.....Natural CDC feather

Head.....Thread

1. Debarb the hook and place it your vise. Tie-in the thread behind the eye and wrap back to the hook bend, forming a nice thread base.
2. Select a relatively long Olive CDC feather and pull off all the scruffy fluff at the base, then tie it in by its tip at the hook bend. (Probably the easiest way to tie in a CDC feather by the tip is to initially tie it in at the middle of the feather using one or two **light thread wraps**, then grasp the base of the feather and pull it till the thread wraps are at the tip. Then pull the wraps tight to secure the feather.)
3. Wrap the thread forward to a point 1/3 of the shank length behind the hook eye and let it hang,
4. Grasp the butt of the CDC feather and wrap the feather as a body up to where you left the thread hanging. Tie off the feather and trim away the excess.
5. Form a dubbing loop at the front of the body, then wrap the thread forward to 5-6 thread wraps behind the hook eye and let it hang
6. Take a natural CDC feather and preen the barbs back so that they are perpendicular to the stem. Open the dubbing loop and insert one side of the preened CDC feather into the loop. Once the barbs are inside the loop, close the loop. Cut the barbs loose from the stem, then spin the loop to form a CDC hackle. **(If you want a thicker hackle loop, form the loop using 2 CDC feathers stacked on top of each other.)**

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7. Wrap the CDC hackle forward 3-5 wraps, but with each wrap (and the loop positioned at the top of the hook shank) remember to preen the barbs back and upward at a 45 degree angle. This will form the emerging wing. **(This should put you about 2/3 of the way to where you left the thread hanging.)**
8. Now continue wrapping the dubbing loop forward to the hanging thread **without** preening the barbs back so that they splay around the hook. Tie off the loop and trim off any excess.
9. Preen the barbs back from the hook eye and take a few thread wraps around the front base of the barbs to slant them rearward.
10. Form a neat thread head, whip finish, and cut the thread.
11. The barbs at the bottom of the fly should not be any longer than the hook point, so use your scissors to trim any offending barbs.