

## MICKEY FINN



### Pattern

Hook.....Streamer, size 2-12

Thread....Black 6/0

Weight....(optional) lead wire

Rib.....Oval silver tinsel

Body.....Flat silver tinsel

Wing.....Yellow/Red/Yellow Bucktail/Calf tail

Head.....Thread

1. Tie in thread just behind hook eye.
2. Cut a 4" inch piece of silver oval tinsel, lay on top of hook with one end at thread tie-in point, then wrap thread over tinsel in tight turns all the way back to hook bend.
3. Wind thread forward again to hook eye.
4. Tie in 6-7" piece of flat silver tinsel just behind hook eye and wrap back to bend of hook. Each wrap should touch previous wrap so that there are no gaps.
5. Now wrap flat tinsel back to hook eye overlapping first layer. Again each wrap should touch to avoid gaps. Tie off with several thread wraps. Let thread hang.
6. Wrap the silver oval tinsel in separated but equally spaced turns from the bend to just behind the hook eye. Tie off with several turns of thread and let thread hang.
7. Cut a SMALL bundle of yellow bucktail and red bucktail (half the size of the yellow bundle). Keep the bundles separate. Comb out underfur with dubbing needle.
8. Stack yellow bucktail fibers to align tips, then split the bundle into two equal bundles.

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9. About 1/8<sup>th</sup> inch behind hook eye, tie in one bundle of the yellow bucktail on top of the hook with several SOFT LOOPS. Apply moderate tension at first then increase tension for next several wraps. Trim butt ends of fibers at an angle toward back of hook to avoid crowding hook eye. (If you are having trouble keeping the bucktail on top of the hook, you either have too much hair or are not holding it tightly while applying soft loops.)
10. Repeat steps 8 and 9 with red bucktail, tying the red bucktail on top of the yellow bucktail.
11. Now again repeat steps 8 and 9 with the second bundle of yellow, tying it on top of the red bundle.
12. Cover the butt ends of the bucktail wing with thread, creating a thread head. Whip finish and cut thread. Apply head cement.