



**March 2020
FLY OF THE MONTH
“Blow Torch Nymph”**



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Blow Torch Nymph

Here is a pattern that Devin Olsen created for the Euro nymph/competition genre. Simple, pattern, hook rides upside down with the jig hook and slotted bead head. Also, the slotted bead weight is above the hook shank to help the hook ride upside down with the hook point up.

Materials:

Hook: Daiichi 4647 Jig Hook Sizes 8 through 16

Thread: Fire Orange 6/0 or 8/0

Bead: Copper Slotted Bead to match the hook

Weight: .015 Lead Free Wire (6 to 8 turns) behind the bead

Tail: Fire Orange Antron Yarn not to extend past the bend of the hook

Rib: Holographic Small Green Tinsel

Body: Peacock Ice Dubbing, you can use peacock

Collar: Fire Orange thread coated with either UV Resin or Head Cement

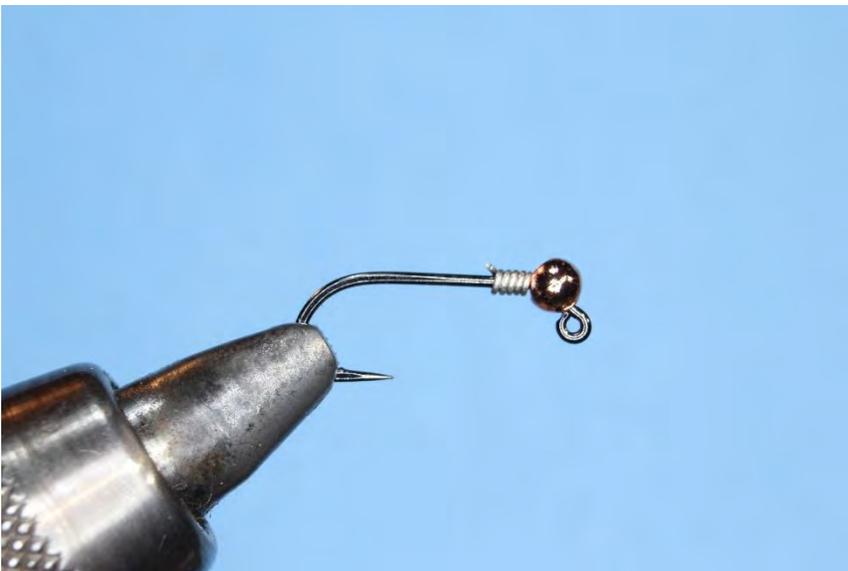
Hackle: Hen well marked fibers

Tying Steps



Step 1

Place your bead on the hook and place it in the vise.



Step 2

Take .015 Lead Free Wire. Wrap 5 to 8 turns around the shank of the hook. Slide the wraps tight against the Bead.



Step 3

Attach your thread behind the bead. Wrap to the bend of the hook.



Step 4

Tie in a strand of Orange Antron yarn for the tail



Step 5

Trim the Antron yarn. The tail should be in line with the bend of the hook. Also trim the yarn behind the bead.

Tie in the Green Holographic Tinsel at the bend of the hook



Step 6

You can either use real peacock herl as a rope for the body or use Peacock Ice Dubbing.

Dub a tapered body



Step 7

Dub a tapered body right behind the bead



Step 8

Rib the body in the opposite direction of the dubbing. Even spaces and secure behind the bead



Step 9

Take a well marked hen neck feather. Tie the fibers behind the bead and have the hackle fiber tips point back towards the bend. Tips should not exceed past the point of the hook.

Tie them on both sides of the hook



Step 10

Build a hot spot collar behind the bead.



Step 11

Whip Finish

Either coat the hot spot collar with head cement or UV Resin.

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