FDG Salmon & Sea Trout Fly Course

Tartan - a Sea Trout Fly



An old fly from South Uist devised by the late Captain John Kennedy for Sea Trout and Salmon loch style fishing, modernised by Paul Clydesdale.

Pattern / Materials

Hook Heavy Wet Fly Down Eye #8 (Kamasan B175 #6 - #14)

Thread Black 8/0 or 12/0

Tag Copper flat tinsel medium

Tail Golden Pheasant Crest / Topping
Rib Silver oval (or wire) tinsel medium

Body Black Seal's Fur dubbing (or Hareline Ice Dub UV Black or similar)

[Alt Body Copper flat tinsel & Silver oval (or wire) rib]

Body Hackle Claret 'short' cock palmered

Head Hackle 1 Blue Peacock neck

[Head Hackle 2 Orange dyed French Partridge flank hackles – optional alternative]

Head Hackle 3 Red dyed Guinea Fowl breast Head Black thread, varnished / resin

Method

- 1. Tie on thread and lay down touching turns to bend, tying in Tag as you go
- 2. Wind Tag and tie down waste along underside of shank.
- 3. Tie in Tail and tie down waste along top of shank.
- 4. Tie in Rib with tag in along underside of shank
- 5. Dub body, leaving space for three head hackles
- 6. Tie in Body hackle and palmer down body
- 7. Bind down body hackle with rib and wind rib in open turns towards head. Tie down
- 8. Leave room behind head for 2 or 3 head hackles and head!
- 9. Wind long Blue Peacock head hackle, 2 or 3 turns.
- 10. [Wind Orange dyed French Partridge flank hackle optional]
- 11. Wind red dyed Guinea Fowl Hackle 2 or 3 turns.
- 12. Form small, neat bullet shaped head
- 13. Varnish / Resin 2 coats
