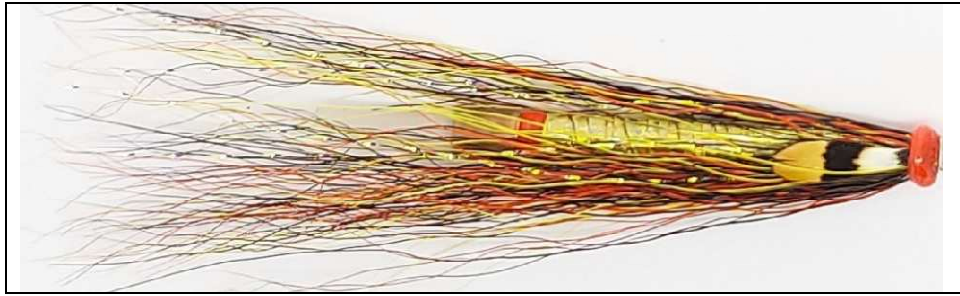


FDG Salmon & Sea Trout Fly Course

Willie Gunn Gold Body Tube



Pattern / Materials

Tube	32mm (1.25inch) Copper Tube [can be 25mm – 50mm or longer]
Thread	Red 8/0
Tag	Red thread & superglue or varnish.
Body	Gold Mylar Tube (An alternative is Oval Gold as Rib and flat Gold Tinsel as body)
Wing	Yellow Bucktail, Hot Orange Bucktail, Black Bucktail, mixed
Flash	Gold Krystal Flash – use plenty
Cheeks (optional)	Jungle Cock
Head	Red thread. Superglue and 2 red or clear coats varnish (24 hrs apart)
Hook holder	15mm long 3mm ID clear Silicone (or fluoro yellow or fluoro orange).
Hook	#4 - #6 Tube Double.

Guidance Videos – Note that these videos illustrate techniques, but not the evaluation fly pattern

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wu-Ymmhv87w>

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Method

1. Clamp tube in Tube Fly Holder or on Needle. Leave 5mm clean at tail for hook holder.
2. Tie on Red thread 5mm from tail of copper tube.
3. Tie in Gold Mylar Tube at tail. Bind down to form tag, whip finish, trim waste. Superglue tag.
4. Stretch tube along body. Tie on Red thread and tie down tubing 2mm behind head and trim.
5. Mix, roll and line up ends of small quantity of Yellow & Orange Bucktail. About twice tube length.
6. Place bundle on top of tube, tie in loosely and spread around tube, before tying in tight.
7. Trim excess at head and then bind down to head and back to tying in point.
8. Repeat with very small quantity Black Bucktail, slightly longer than yellow / orange.
9. Trim excess at head and then bind down to head and back to tying in point.
10. Alternatively tie in all three colours together or individually. It is difficult to get hair to distribute evenly around the body.
11. Tie in gold Krystal Flash at head – same method as Bucktail.
12. Form neat small 3mm head of Red thread.
13. Optional – Tie in Jungle Cock Eyes as Cheeks. Bind down, fold back, trim excess, tidy up.
14. Whip Finish Head.
15. Optional – coat head with Red Varnish or form with Globrite Red #4.
16. Coat head with Super Glue.
17. When dry - Coat head with 2 coats Varnish, 24 hours apart.
18. Slide on stiff Silicone Sleeve (or soft silicone) to hold hook.-----

Willie Gunn Variants



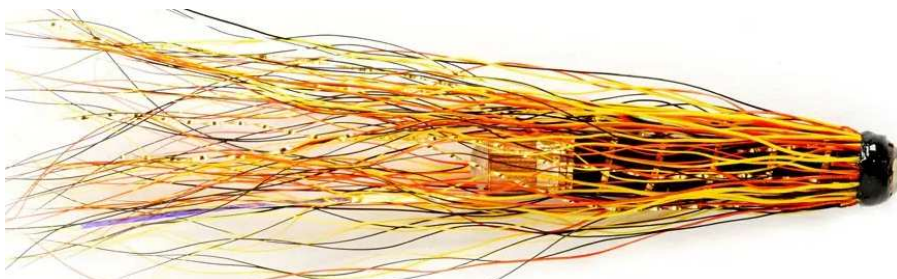
Willie Gunn – on plastic tubes with conehead



Gold Body Willie Gunn Conehead



Silver Body Willie Gunn (Good for clear water rivers)



Traditional Willie Gunn (I prefer a Red Head for peat stained rivers)