

## Fly Pattern Sheet:

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## **Aquatic Nuisance:**

## **Materials Needed:**

Hook: Daiichi 2461 size 1 or 1/0 or 3-6xl streamer hook

Tail: Dark Brown or Dark Olive Rabbit Strip, Tied in as a tail at the shank of the hook and pulled forward over 2/3 of the hook length.

Body: Olive, peacock, or brown ice dub or other dubbing.

Hackle: Copper Hackle Flash wound through the rabbit strip. Olive schlappen or black

emu are both good as a substitute

Collar: Large Mallard Flank

Wing: Abundant copper flashabou topped with a great deal of Kelly green or bullfrog flashabou.

Head: Australian possum or dark olive wool tied sculpin head style. An interesting head can also be made with dark olive ice dubbing tied in as a clump.

## Steps for tying this fly:

- 1. Cover the hook with thread and return thread to the front of the hook.
- 2. Tie in the rabbit strip above the bend, leave some rabbit in front of the tail to be pulled over the back of the fly.
- 3. Tie in the copper hackle flash at the tail.
- 4. Dub a body 2/3 the way up the hook.
- 5. Pull the rabbit strip forward to the same point and tie it down.
- 6. Run the hackle through the body.
- 7. Tie in a collar of mallard flank.
- 8. Give the fly a wing of green and copper flash.
- 9. Tie a bunch of Australian possum fur or wool as a clump around the head.
- 10. Finish the fly.

Comments: A great fly to trigger aggressive steelhead through the fall, winter, and spring. It is at its best in water temperatures over 38 degrees.