

Rusty Tubing Midge



Larry Wegmann and Dave Tucker are working on a detail midge study and how to fish them. Larry noted that gills are present at the top of the thorax of the midges. Root Beer Midge and the Harvest Midge have been used successfully to catch trout. I have taken the best of both of those flies, added gills to create the Rusty Tubing midge above. The one on the left, I used gray tubing. The one on the right, I used copper tubing. Larry has also discovered that these midges come in a green or chartreuse color. See below, I used Fl. Chartreuse.

Chartreuse Tubing Midge



Materials:

Hook: Tiemco TMC2499BL-SP

Hook Size: 18, 20, 22, 24

Bead: Tungsten or Brass Bead, 2.0mm, 1.5mm

Thread: UNI-Thread 8/0, Rusty Brown, Chartreuse

Gills: Madeira, or Antron, or Nylon (MicroLon)

Body: Medium Stretch Tubing, Tan, Copper or Chartreuse

Ribbing: UNI-Thread



Tying Steps:



I like to put the bead on now.





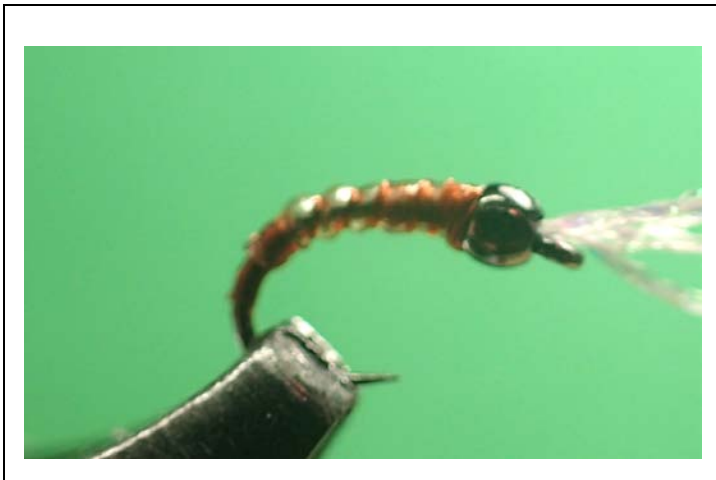
Cut tubing lengths for size 20 hook in $\frac{1}{4}$ inch pieces. Slide the tubing over the bar of the hook and work the tubing up to the bead. This is not easy the first few times you do this but after tying a number of these midges (12 or 24 midges) you will get good at doing this.



Start you thread at the back of the hook and tie down the end of the tubing. Then spin your bobbin clockwise.



With the tread tightly wound, use the thread as the ribbing.





Fishing instructions: For details on midge fishing, see Dave Tucker's article [Midge Fishing Techniques](#). Dead drift with a strike indicator.