



Fly in my Email Dennis Stead



Nate's Frog

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At the end of my presentation on old vises, Bill Blondeau gave me a great looking frog. I was tied by Nathan Bettencourt and according to Nate, it is a fish catcher.



Tie on the large lead dumbbell eyes above the barb of the hook. This will get the frog's back legs and back body down in the water.



Cohen's frog legs are made out of Ultra Suede which I had, so I made a template and cut out my own.



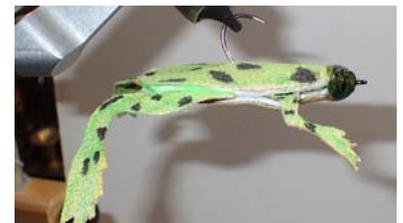
Then tie in the chenille and the front leg. Tie your thread around the legs as if you were tying in a parachute. I used a lot of Dave' Flex cement.



Then tie on the 1mm bottom, rotate the hook, tie in the 2mm top, note the slit in the top for the hook, glue on eyes and glue the top and bottom in the back.



After tying Nate's frog, I made a few variations to it. I did not have 1mm foam, so I used 2mm and ran the belly through my wife's pasta machine which made it thinner. I glued ultra suede to the top of my foam. I epoxy the eyes, and sealed the edges of the body and added front legs.



Nathan wanted a simple frog he could tie and fish with and would agree, it is an easy fly to tie and I had fun with the change I made.
Thanks for reading- Dennis



Materials:

Hook: Kona 2/0 Big Game Carnivore

Thread: Fly Master Plus Thread

Weight: Lg. Lead dumbbell eyes

Legs: Cohen's Lg. Frog Legs and three rubber legs each side double over

Body: Green toned Cactus Chenille, 1mm foam-Belly, 2mm foam-Top

Eyes: 8mm green

Shoe goo or similar, permanent markers in green and yellow

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