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Bed Spread Fly – Bob Gaston

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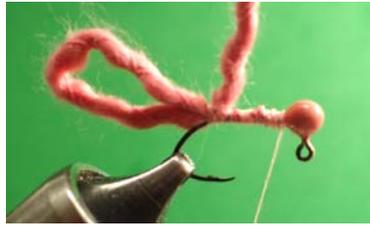
Al Bourisaw in his article Twenty-Five Best Flies for Missouri Parks and Streams talked about the Bed Spread Fly. Al said, The Bread Spread was first tied by Bob Gaston of Gaston's Fly and Gun Shop located just outside of Bennett Springs Park. I have found that vintage materials used for this fly and it is call Softball 100%, 3 ply combed cotton. Currently I have over 25 colors. The original light yellow works well but so do a number of other colors. This is one of my favorites.



Put a thread base down ad tie on material.



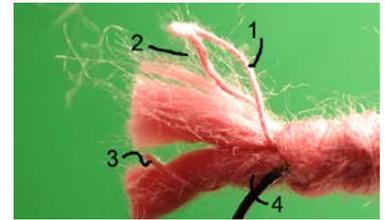
Form a loop in the material and secure the material with 4 turns of the thread. Lift up material and move your thread forward



Wind your material forward, tie off and whip finish. Cut the loop about the width of the gape or wider.



Look closely at the two pieces of material that make up the tail. There are 4 threads that need to be removed. Remove them.



Fluff out the tail, add a little of Dave's Flex cement and you are done. Try other colors Lt. Yellow, White, Natural, Chamois, Peach, Olive, Rose, Pink, and others.

Let me know what you think.
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BED SPREAD FLY

Materials:

Hook: Micro Jig with 1/100 oz lead or TMC403BLJ with 1/100 oz lead

Hook sizes: 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16

Head: Light Salmon (The head on these fly were powder painted. I add white to salmon)

Thread: UTC 70 or 140, color to match material.

Body and Tail: Bed Spread Material (This is Vintage Softball 100% combed Cotton yarn, 3 ply)

See fly tying YouTube Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qBN12wDt1Yc&t=125s>

Fishing instructions: Dead Drift with a strike indicator using this fly as the first fly (attractor fly). Tie a dropper fly (your favorite) as the second fly off the Bed Spread Fly.

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