

Fly in my Email Dennis Stead



Woolly Worm 2/1/2020

Talking to Russ Doughty who has been fly fishing for over 50 years, he remembered the fly that caught his first trout. It was on a brown woolly worm. It might have looked like this.



Believe it or not, over 5 years ago (notice the zero is missing) I caught my first trout on a black woolly worm. Let's tie one.



De-barb your hook and add about twelve wraps of .020 lead wire. Secure the lead wire with your tying thread and put a thread base to the bend of the hook. Take a piece of red yarn for the tail and tie it in. Some tiers use red marabou and keep it short. Bring you thread to the eye.



Tie on a small gold wire to be used for ribbing and to hold down your hackle.



Now tie on your black chenille. Bring your thread to the eye and palmer you're chenille. This will build your body.





Tie on your Grizzly hackle and palmer to the tail. Then use your gold wire to secure the hackle and carefully rib it to the eye.



Tie down the wire, remove excess wire, build a thread head and whip finish. Add a few drops of Dave's flex cement.

I believe that everyone who reads this fly in my email will remember the fly that caught their first trout whether it was over 50 years or just yesterday.

What do you think? Let me know.

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Materials:

Hook: TMC5263 - 3X Long

Hook sizes: 8, 10,

Weight: Lead wire 0.020 – 12 turns Thread: UNI-Thread 8/0 Black

Tail: Red yarn (I am using softball yarn)

Wire: Gold small wire Body: Black small chenille Hackle: Grizzly feather

The Fly tied by Dennis Stead - size 10 hook.

Check out my fly tying video: https://youtu.be/yC4HnU8S5d4

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