

Megamos

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HOOK:	Kamasan B100 Size 14
THREAD:	Brown
BODY:	Medium Flat Tinsel (orange)
RIB:	Brown Thread
WINGS:	Cree Hackle Tips
THORAX COVER:	Medium Flat Tinsel (orange)
LEGS:	Black Schlappen
HACKLE:	Silver Badger
THORAX:	Peacock Herls



TYING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Wrap the thread to above the hook point.



2. Tie in the 'Medium Flat Tinsel'. Wrap the thread to about half way around the hook bend.



3. Brush a little super-glue on the 'Medium Flat Tinsel' and wind it towards the hook eye, finishing just after the hook point.



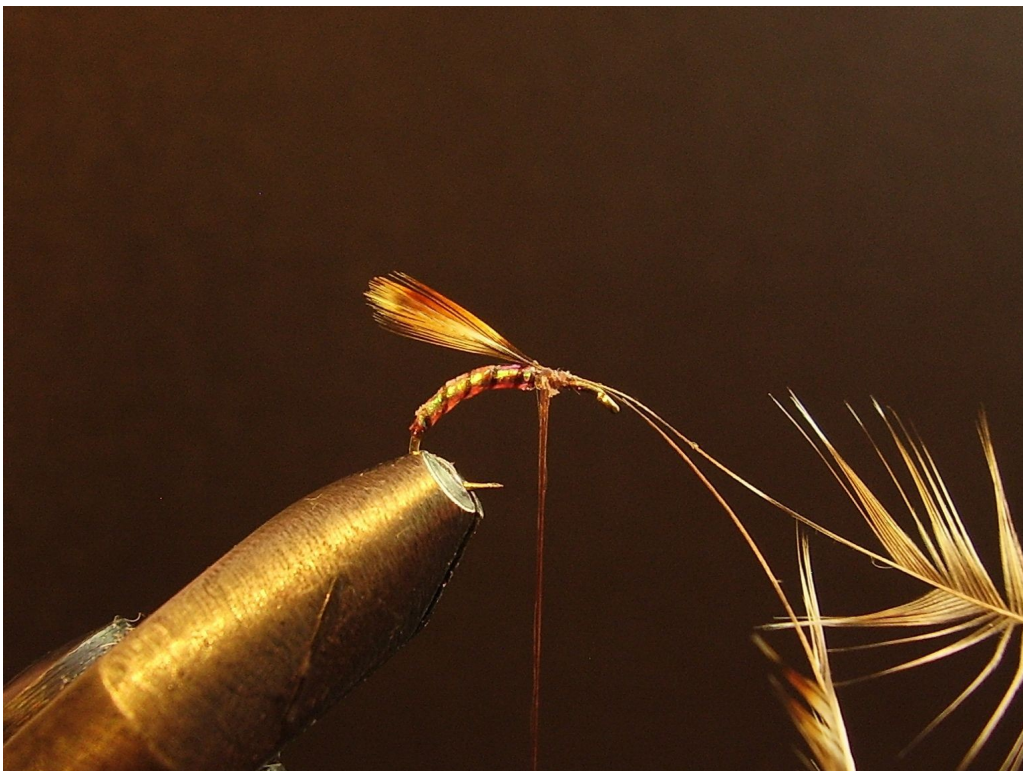
4. If the thread has unwound, spin the bobbin to twist the strands together again. Now using the thread, rib the body.



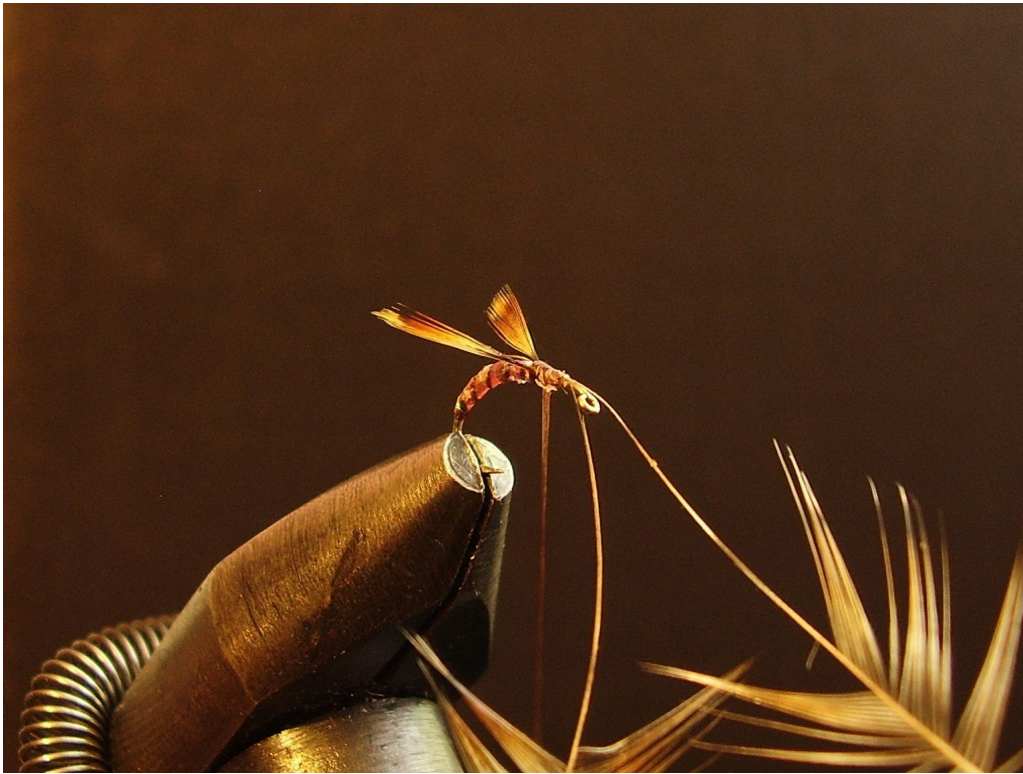
5. Remove the waste Tinsel and coat the body with head cement.



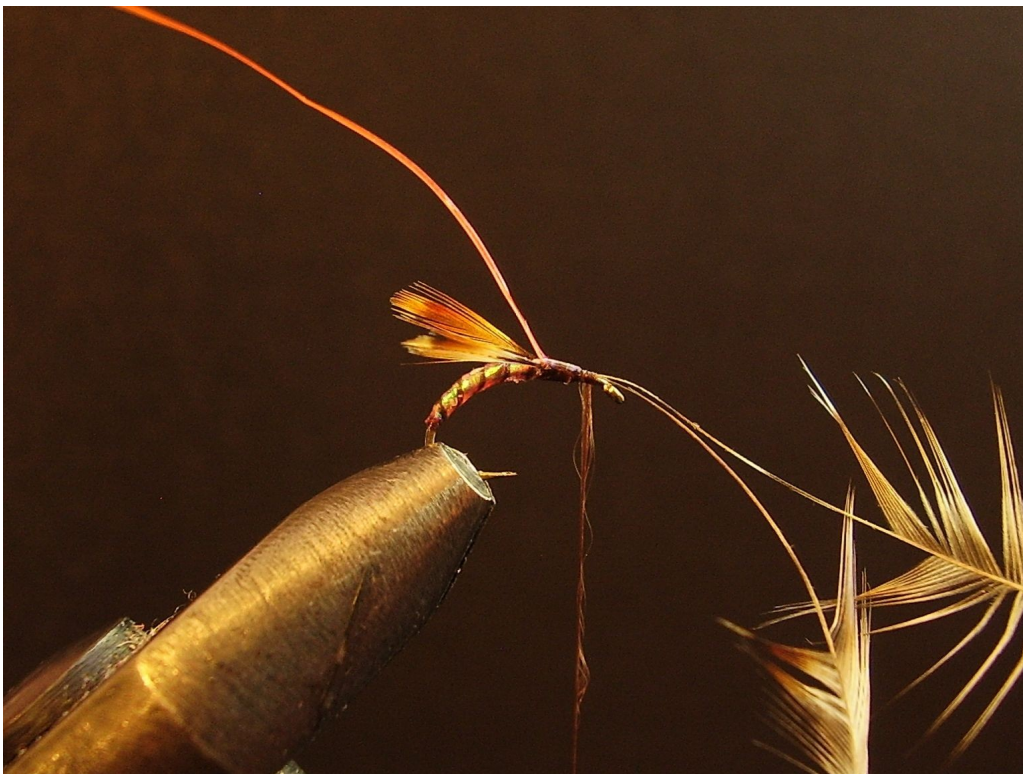
6. Tie in the 'Cree Hackle Tips' (dull sides facing outwards), guiding the stems to either side of the hook.



7. Make sure the wings are well separated, as the image below shows.



8. Tie in the 'Medium Flat Tinsel' for the thorax cover.



9. Pull the waste 'Cree Hackle' stems backwards and secure with a few thread wraps. Remove the waste stems.



10. Tie in the 'Black Schlappen' as shown below.



11. Tie in the 'Silver Badger Hackle' as shown below.



12. Tie in the 2 'Peacock Herls' as shown below.



13. Wind the 'Peacock Herls' forward, twisting them together as you advance. Secure with a few thread wraps and remove the waste.



14. Wind the 'Silver Badger Hackle' forward, using 3 turns. Secure with a few thread wraps.



15. Remove the waste 'Silver Badger Hackle'



16. Wind the 'Black Schlappen' forward, using 2 turns. Secure with a few thread wraps.



17. Remove the waste 'Black Schlappen'.



18. Using a Needle or Bodkin, split the hackle fibres on top of the thorax and gently ease them to the sides.



19. Pull the 'Medium Flat Tinsel' forward and secure with a few thread wraps. Keeping the thread tight, pull the 'Medium Flat Tinsel' backward (over itself) and secure with a few more thread wraps. Remove the waste 'Medium Flat Tinsel'.



20. Whip finish and apply head cement. Leave to dry.

Remove all but 6 of the 'Black Schlappen' fibres as instructed below:

- Carefully select 6 fibres from under the thorax and separate them from the rest (these will be the legs of the fly).
- Hold the rest of the fibres upward with your non-scissor hand.
- Pull the fibres firmly against **1 edge** of your sharp scissors so that the fibres are cut away without damaging the 'Silver Badger Hackle'. Try to keep your scissor edge as close to the thorax as possible and make sure you do not cut off the 6 leg fibres.

The finished Fly



NOTE:

If you cannot find the exact tinsel that I have used, you can use 'Pearl Mylar Tinsel' with yellow or orange permanent marker applied to one side.