

THE PICKLE

HOOK: Jig hook #8 Barbless

BEAD: Slotted Tungsten 3/16" (4.6mm)

WEIGHT: Lead-Free Wire .020

THREAD: Red 6/0

TAIL: Sexi-Floss Copper/Brown Medium

LEGS: Sexi-Floss Copper/Brown Medium

BODY: New Age Chenille (Halloween)



Tying Steps:

1. Slide the bead on the hook and mount the hook in your vise.
2. Wrap 8-9 turns of the Lead-Free Wire on the hook shank behind the bead.
3. Start the thread behind the bead and dress the hook to the bend. Make a small bump of thread at the bend of the hook.
4. Cut a piece of the Sexi-Floss into 3 pieces. Use one piece to make the tail. Bend the Sexi-Floss in half and tie it at the bend just in front of the bump you made in step 3. This should splay the tail about 30 degrees.
5. Strip 1/8" of the fuzzy stuff from the chenille to expose the inner thread. Tie it to the hook shank at the hook bend.
6. About 1/8" from the tail, tie another section of the Sexi-Floss to the hook shank to make the back legs. Wrap the thread 1/4" forward and tie on the last piece of Sexi-Floss to make the front legs. Wrap the thread forward to behind the bead.
7. Wrap the Chenille 2 wraps at the bend. Jump the Chenille over the back legs and wrap around the hook shank. Wrap the chenille forward to the front legs. Wrap the front legs same as you did the back legs.
8. Continue wrapping the chenille up to the bead and tie it down. Snip the excess free.
9. With the thread wrap several turns to make a "HOT SPOT." Whip finish and add a drop of head cement.

NOTE: This is a very heavy fly for its size. I learned the PICKLE on the Columbia River this last October in B.C., Canada. It is designed to sink fast under an indicator. The PICKLE is an October Caddis Pupa. It is tied very much like a "Pats Rubber Legs".

