

FLY OF THE MONTH- Scalley's Cripple Caddis



It will soon be caddis time and the Scalley's Cripple Caddis is a very effective pattern. This pattern was first included in our FOTM, back in 2028 but we have many new fly tiers and I thought it would be worth repeating this important pattern.

Recipe:

Hook: Tiemco 100 or equivalent. Sizes #14 - #18

Thread: Black 8/0

Trailing Shuck: Tan Antron or Zelon fibers, hook shank in length

Shuck: Tan Antron or Zelon loosely folded over the body

Body: Brown Antron dubbing. Also tie in black or gray

Wing: Natural coastal deer hair a hook shank in length

Head: Brown or black dubbing

Tying Instructions:

1. Crush down the hook barb and cover the hook shank with tying thread rearward to the hook bend
2. For the trailing shuck, comb out a piece of Antron yarn and tie in at hook bend. Do not trim. This remaining shuck will become the shuck to be looped over the back.
3. Beginning at the hook bend dub the body forward to a point 1/4 of the hook shank behind the eye. Trim
4. In a loose loop pull the remaining shuck over the body and tie down ahead of the body with several tight turns. Trim.
5. Stack some coastal deer hair and tie in ahead of the body with the tips facing rearward down wing style.
6. Dub a head and whip finish.

Go fishing!

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