

Fly of the Month, January – Czech Nymph

Hook: Mustad 267B # 7. Use any common scud style hook size 4 to 12.

Thread: UNI-thread 8/0 white. Use 6/0 or finer. Color depends on the weight of the fly.

Use light color thread for light weight flies and dark color for heavily weighted flies.

Lead wire: Fine .010" lead wire. Use light .010 to heavy .030" lead wire.

Abdomen dubbing: Color #22. Light green antron dubbing.

Thorax dubbing: Pink shrimp color. "Hare-Tron" dubbing.

Head dubbing: Charcoal grey Antron dubbing.

Shell back: Body stretch - Olive"

Body ribbing: Mono fishing line, 2 lb test. Substitute fine wire if desired.

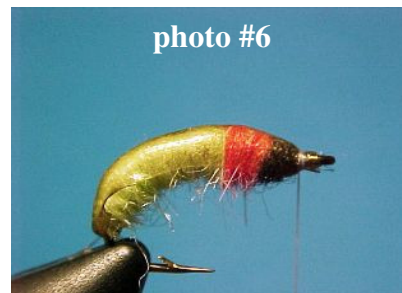
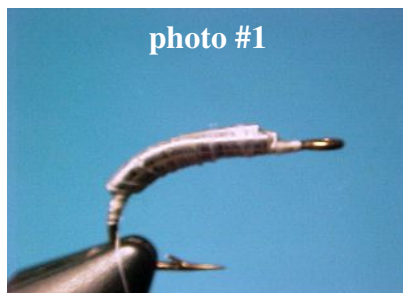


Photo # 1 Lay in a solid bed of thread from the eye to half way down the bend of the hook. Break off three to six logs of the lead wire and stack them on top of the hook shank. Tie them in as a solid crest above the hook shank to keep the hook narrow. Apply head cement or super glue to keep them solid in place.

Photo # 2 Tie in a section of the two pound test fishing line at the half way section of the curve of the hook, facing backwards. Tie in a section of the shell back "body stretch" material at the same point of the hook bend with the balance facing backwards.

Photo # 3 Dub in a narrow body of the abdomen color from the point half way down the bend of the hook to the 3/4 point towards the hook eye. Keep the body narrow with just enough dubbing to cover the added lead on the hook shank.

Photo # 4 Dub in a small section of the bright color thorax dubbing material. Remember to leave room for the next section of dark color head dubbing.

Photo # 5 Dub in a small section of the dark color head material.

Photo # 6 Flop the shell back material over the top of the fly and secure it down by tying it down at the eye. Trim off the excess shell back material at the hook eye. Throw in a half hitch to secure the tie in point.

Photo # 7 Completed fly. Wrap the mono fishing line around the body of the fly, spacing it wide enough to create segments. Tie off the mono line at the hook eye. Create a small head and whip finish the thread. Trim off the excess mono and trim off the tying thread. Pick out the dubbing under the shell with a bodkin needle or dubbing brush. Trim off the excess underfur dubbing so it does not extend beyond the hook point.

There is a great article on how to tie and fish the Czech Nymph on the Mustad web site.

http://www.mustad.no/www2010/?page_id=3249

http://www.mustad.no/action/fishing_tips/fish_czech1.htm

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