

# Fly Pattern Sheet - Dolly Llama

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Trailing Hook: Octopus style hook  
Connecting: FireLine  
Thread: 210 Denier, color to match materials  
Weight: XLarge Conehead, .030 lead  
Tail: Rabbit strip, olive, from body  
Body Hook: 3XLong streamer  
Body: Rabbit strip, olive  
Belly: Rabbit strip, white  
Sides: Saltwater Flashabou, pearl



Notes: This fly is sometimes referred to as a Dalai Lama; however the original pattern created by JJ Pilgreen was called Dolly Llama.

Olive dyed natural, and black, seem to be the most common color schemes; but any color combination is a possible winner.

This is one of my favorite patterns to add T-tags for conversion to a Select-a-Bead fly.

It's also a great candidate for conversion to a tube fly.



Shown is a Owner size 4 hook. Fold a six inch piece of FireLine in half and thread the hook onto the loop as shown. Leave a little slack in the loop for the next step.



Start your thread behind the eye and wrap back to the loop in the FireLine. (About 4-5 wraps) Pull the loop tight and wrap rearward over your previous wraps.



Split the hair from the back of a rabbit strip about half an inch from the end. Tie down with four very firm wraps. Lift the strip and whip finish between the hide and the hook eye. Cut your thread.



Slide a conehead onto the streamer hook you are using for your body. Add five or six wraps of lead and push them up into the space in the back of the cone.



Start your thread just behind the lead wraps and build up a ball to jam the lead into the cone. Wrap a thread base rearward to the bend and then tie down the FireLine to the top of the shank while wrapping forward.



Fold the FireLine back over the shank and wrap it down to the rear. Once at the bend, measure the rabbit strip for length, split the hair from the hide and tie down with four very firm wraps.



Lift the rabbit strip and bring your thread forward to the cone. Wrap the rabbit strip forward as tightly as possible against the cone. Tie down with three very tight wraps, cut the excess and add 5-6 additional wraps behind the cone.



Cut a white rabbit strip so the hide is just past the body hook bend. Tuck the tip of the hide into the back of the cone under the body and tie it in with four very tight wraps.



Tie in two strands of Saltwater Flashabou on each side of the body. (I fold a single strand over the thread and tie both sides in with a single wrap.) Trim to a length that matches the belly. Double whip finish behind the conehead.

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