

Fly Pattern Sheet - Marabou Clouser Fry

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Hook: Nickle streamer hook, ring eye
Size 8 or 10
Thread: 70 Denier, white or gray
Weight: Beadchain eyes, small silver
Underwing: Krystal Flash, #21 Gray Ghost
Egg Sack: Glo-bug yarn
(Mixed Lt & Dark Roe)
Wing: Marabou fiber, olive
Head: White thread



Notes:

In the spring tens of thousands of salmon fry move down stream from spawning grounds. This is my sparse fry pattern for early season. In skinny water, or for fish that have seen some pressure, this is my go to pattern.

Substitute cream marabou for the wing and you have a great little flesh/egg pattern.



Wrap a thread base over the front quarter of the hook. Attach the bead chain eyes in the center of the thread base and secure with cross wraps and figure eight wraps.



Tie in eight or so strands of Krystal Flash in front of the eyes. Bring your thread under the eyes and bind down the Krystal Flash to the mid-shank. Bring the thread back to the eyes.



Cut light and dark roe colored Glo-bug yarn into 1" sections. Blend together and fold a small clump over the thread. Pull the Glo-bug yarn down between the eyes and secure with several wraps of thread around the eyes and yarn.



Strip the fibers from one side of a marabou feather (excluding the tip section) and tie them in as a bunch in front of the eyes, on the hook side of the shank. Build a head, whip finish.



Cut the Glo-bug yarn close to the eyes.

The fly is shown as it will fish.

The only semi-hard technique for this fly is getting the glo-bug yarn to set between the eyes.

I start with one inch pieces of glo-bug yarn that have been lightly blended with a small coffee grinder. Pinch a small amount out of the pile and fold it over the tying thread. With your off hand, cross pinch the yarn tight against the thread and bring the thread diagonally around the shank and between the eyes, guiding the yarn into place. It only takes a single wrap to put the yarn in place. Once between the eyes, place additional cross wraps around the eyes to pinch it in place. With a little practice before you start building flies to master this technique, it's easy to crank out a dozen of these flies in a hour.

I use a #10 for smaller clear water and jump a size to #8 for bigger water like the Kenai River.