

Mother's Day Caddis

Hook: Mustad 94840 Size 16-14

Thread: Black, 70 denier

Shuck: Caddis Orange or gold zelon

Body: 3 strands of Peacock herl

Wing: White zelon

Head: Black dubbing

Hackle: grizzly

This is a pattern from West Yellowstone's Blue Ribbon Flies Shop. Begin by debarbing the hook and placing it into your vice. Begin wrapping the thread from behind the hook eye to the bend. Tie in the shuck, trimming it to $\frac{1}{2}$ the hook length. Attach 3-4 strands of peacock herl. Before wrapping, apply cement to the thread wraps. Next, twist the herl around the tying thread and wrap forward to a point $\frac{1}{3}$ of the way behind the hook eye. Secure with two wraps of thread. Take your zelon and form a tight loop wing. Tie this wing just in front of the herl. Tie in your hackle and dub a light amount of black dubbing. Wrap this around the remaining $\frac{1}{3}$ of the hook for a head. Now wrap three turns of hackle over the dubbed head and tie off. Cement the head.

Make sure to have plenty of these on hand as the Mother's Day hatch can be quite prolific!!