

Humpy Pattern



Supplies:

- **Hook**—standard dry fly hook size 10 to 16
- **Thread**—6/0 tan or olive
- **Tail**—moose mane
- **Shellback and wing**—light natural deer hair
- **Body**—dubbing color of choice (tan, yellow, orange etc)
- **Wing**—tips of shellback pulled forward
- **Hackle**—brown and grizzly mixed

Directions:

1. Put gold bead on hook with the point going thru the small end of the bead first
2. Tie in the thread and cover the shank back just past the barb
3. Tie in a sparse clump of moose mane approximately 3/4 the length of the shank
4. Take a good sized clump of deer hair, clean out the under fur, and use a stacker to even the tips. Then tie in about 1/4 back from the eye, wrap back to the tie in point of the tail and then wrap back to the front, then back to the back tightly to secure the deer hair to the shank. The tricky part is at this point is you have to measure the deer hair so that when you pull it forward to form the shellback there is enough left over to form the wing. This is a little bit of trial and error but I have found that if you try to have a little more than twice the shank length back from your tie in point, it comes out pretty well most times. If you misjudge, try to misjudge to the long side. If the wing is a bit too long it won't hurt much, but if it is too short it won't work.
5. Once you have this done, dub the body over the deer hair on the shank stop 1/4 back from the eye where you tied in the deer hair
6. Now grasp the deer hair tips and pull the clump forward making sure to keep the clump on the top of the hook and tie in securely right at the front of the body. At this point if your wing isn't somewhere between 45° to 90° angle to the shank, grasp the wing tips and pull them back and wrap a thread ball just in front of it until it sets at the angle you want
7. Tie in the two hackle feathers and wrap and secure each separately. This is a fairly heavily, hackled fly, so this is where if you don't leave enough room at the eye you will be in trouble
8. Form a neat head and whip finish