

USD hackle dun

As demonstrated by Roy Christie.

Tail: cock hackle barbs
Body: herl or dubbing
Thorax: pheasant tail, cock
Hackle: cock
Wing post: polypropylene



Thread to the bend and tie in a bunch of hackle fibres as tail. Tie it down round the bend until the tail is angled downwards. This is to ensure that the tail does not cause the fly to float the 'normal' way up. Wind the thread and body material forward to about one third back from the eye. Tie in a bunch of pheasant tail barbs in the style of a thorax cover. A little forward of this point, tie a bunch of polypropylene wing fibre across the shank. Double it under the shank and secure it pointing downwards. # Tie a hackle in front of the wing. Wind 2/3 turns of the hackle behind the wing, cross to the front and wind 3/4 turns in front. Stroke all the hackle barbs down on each side of the shank, pull the pheasant tail forward and secure it so that none of the hackle barbs point above the level of the shank. Whip finish. Trim the wing.

