

Steve's Articulated Peacock Submitted by Steve Horgan

Materials

Hooks: Gamakatsu B10S Stinger size 2/0 (rear hook) Patridge 4/0 Ad Swier Black Nickel Absolute Pike Hook (front hook)
Thread: Clear fine (.006) monofilament (White River)
Body: Olive bucktail, yellow bucktail
Fluorocarbon, 20 lb test
Five minute epoxy
Pearl flashabou
Red hologram dome eyes, 3/8 in.
Zap Gel
Head cement: Sally Hansen's Hard As Nails
Black Sharpie

Tying Instructions

Place rear hook in vise.

Tie in olive bucktail approx. 4 in. long (about two pencil widths) behind hook eye. Coat thread with head cement.

Cut off hook point of rear hook at the hook bend.

Thread 20 lb. fluorocarbon through hook eye, then double it up and tie it down on front hook, about $\frac{1}{2}$ in. behind hook eye.

Coat the mono with 5 min. epoxy and allow it to dry.

Tie an underwing of yellow bucktail approx. 4 in. long (about two pencil widths) on the front hook.

Tie in wing of olive bucktail approx. 4 in. long (about two pencil widths).

Tie in approx. 10 strands of pearl flashabou slightly longer than the bucktail on each side of front hook at midline.

Glue the eyes in place using Zap Gel.

Coat the head and $\frac{1}{2}$ of the eyes using 5 minute epoxy.

Mark three vertical lines on each side of body.

Comments: rugged fly that holds up well; strip quickly when fishing for peacock bass; casts and fishes very well on T-300 line coupled with a 9 wt. rod and 4 1/2 feet of 40 lb. test tippet; length of fly is approx. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Species caught: peacock bass and jacunda