

OSPREY FLY BOX

Anton's European Buzzer

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"A Buzzer is basically an imitation of the pupa of a midge or chironomid - in other words a non-biting "mosquito" in the state between a larva and the adult, flying insect.

Most people will already know midges in two forms: the red blood worm found in many lake sediments, which are the midge larvae, and the big swarms of "dancing" midges, which are the insects mating in mid-air in large numbers.

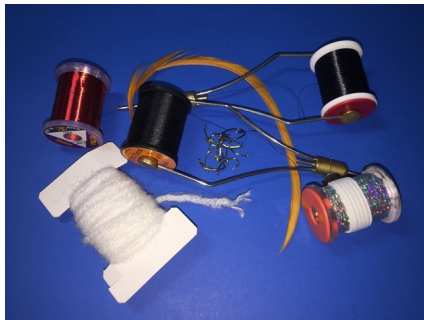
They are very abundant, particularly in stillwaters with hundreds of species present in both Europe and the US"

Anton says this his go to pattern when Chironomids are coming off.

Go to Scottish Fly Tier Davie McPhail's U-Tube site for some amazing Buzzer patterns.



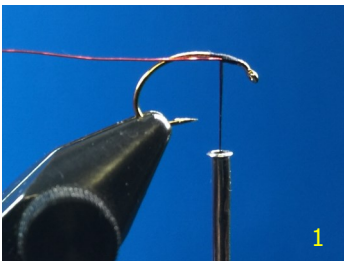
MATERIALS:



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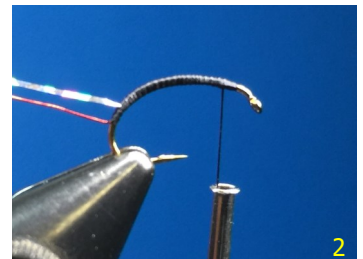
- Hook - Mustad C49 size 10-12
- Thread - 8/0 Black & 6/0 Black (optional)
- Butt- X/S Red Wire
- Rib - X/S Red Wire
- Body - Small Silver Holographic Tinsel
- Wing Buds - Amber Goose Biots
- Gills - White Yarn (optional)

TYING INSTRUCTIONS:

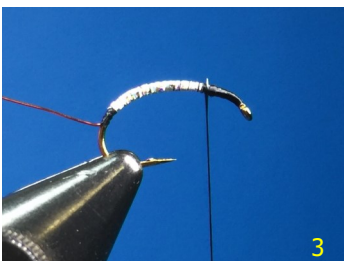


1. Start 8/0 thread behind the eye and tie in red wire.

2. Bind down the wire to around the hook bend, bring the thread about 5 turns up and tie in the Silver Holographic tinsel.



3. Wrap the silver tinsel up to the 1/3 point and tie off.



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4. Tie in a tight red butt up to the start of the silver holographic tinsel, then using open wraps add the rib up to the 1/3 point. Tie off the rib and tie the wire the length of the thorax, using a helicopter motion break off the wire. (optional) Tie in the 6/0 thread and build up a thorax.



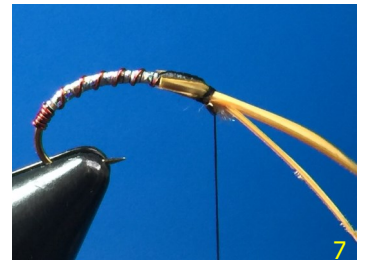
5. Tie in the gill material cut at an angle and bind down to the back of the thorax to ensure there are no lumps. Trim to length.



6. Tie in the goose biots by the tips on each side of the thorax so the curve away from the thorax. Trim off the tips.



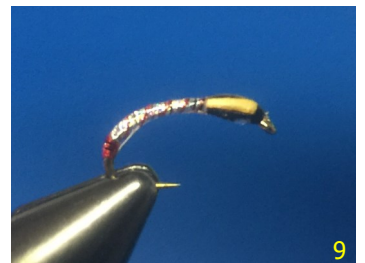
7. Fold the goose biots up to the eye and bind them down. The biots should cross over each other at the eye.



8. Whip finish and cut your thread. Use Thin UV to cover the buzzer and enhance the thorax. Apply a final coat of Hard as Nails.

9. Fly can be also tied without the gills.

Any of your regular Chironomid patterns can be tied as a Buzzer patterns with wing bud goose biots tied in a variety of colours. Try some out and see how you do.



Tight Lines & Good Luck!