

# OSPREY FLY BOX

## Pink Rabbit

contributed by

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I came up with this fly for Pink Salmon on the Squamish River. I use Fluorescent Pink for the body & tail to form a fly approximately 2 1/2" with a tear drop shape and lots of movement. This combination will trigger a Pink salmon to bite. So The Pink Rabbit Fly was born.

I use light dumbbells (easier to cast) with eyes (attracts predator fish) to let the fly sink during the swing and into the zone where fish stop and rest going up the River. In addition to Pink salmon I also use this fly on Steelhead.

Depending on the current or flow of the River I use approx. 9' 15 lb. test leader with a floating line. If the current is faster I use approx. 5' 15 lb. test leader with a sinking head to get the fly in the zone approximately a foot of the bottom.

Cast slightly upstream, mend your fly line, let the fly swing,

when the fly is near its full swing strip the line in, and repeat but adjust the distance of your casts to allow you to cover more water.



#### **MATERIALS**



#### List of Materials:

Hook - Streamer 3XL size 6 or 8

Eyes - Dumbell c/w Eyes in various sizes

Thread - UTC 210 Fluorescent Pink

Body - UV Micro Straggle Fluorescent Pink

Wing - Fluorescent Pink Rabbit Zonker

### **TYING INSTRUCTIONS**



- Debarb the size 6 or 8 hook and place in the vise. Attach the Fluorescent Pink thread behind the hook eye and cover the shank down to inline with the barb.
- 2. About a hook eye length back from the eye tie in the dumbbell eyes using figure 8 wraps. To ensure the eyes don't roll around the hook shank add a drop of UV resin to the thread wraps and cure.





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- 3. Tie the Fluorescent Pink UV Micro Straggle behind the dumbbell eyes and bind it to the shank all the way down to the bend of the hook.
- 4. Wrap Fluorescent Pink UV Micro Straggle up to behind the eyes in close touching turns sweeping the material after each turn so as not to trap the fibres. Tie off and remove the excess.





5. Tie in a strip of Fluorescent Pink Rabbit Zonker strip behind the dumbbell eyes. Trim the strip os the resulting length is approximately 2 1/2" in total length. Finally, whip finish and use UV Resin or head cement to secure the wraps.



Tight Lines & Good Luck!