

OSPREY FLY BOX

ZAVADUK'S CADDIS PUPA

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This is a pattern I began fishing last July, after meeting Rod Zavaduk, who owned the Castlegar Fly Shop at that time.

It's a well-known productive pattern on the Columbia River, as well as the rivers and streams out in the East Kootenays. It is tied to represent the emerger stage of the caddis life cycle. Quite often the trout are taking the emerging insect as opposed to the dry.

Fish this pattern using a floating line with either a mono or fluoro leader depending on how far under the surface the trout are feeding.

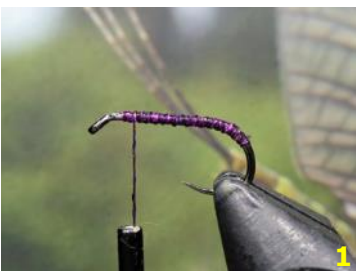


It works especially well in the early morning and evening. It works all the way into September. It can be tied in sizes 12 to 18, but is typically fished in sizes 14 or 16.



Cast out and let dead drift into a swing at the end. Floatant can be applied to it to fish this fly just under the surface.

TYING INSTRUCTIONS



1. Debarb the hook. Create a thread base with Micro Glint (*thread*). Butt should extend into the curve of the hook bend. Whipfinish.
2. Change to Brown Thread. Wind back to the bend of the hook.



MATERIALS



- Hook:** Standard Nymph Hook
Sizes #12 to #18
- Butt:** Purple Thread or Microglint
- Thread:** Semperfli Waxed 8/0 - Brown.
- Shuck:** Ice Dub - Olive/Brown
- Body:** Whitlock Red Fox Squirrel Dubbing
- Underwing:** Ice Dub - Olive/ Brown
- 2nd Underwing:** Tan CDC
- Overwing:** Hen or Partridge Feather.
Mottled Tan or Brown
- Head:** Whitlock Red Fox Squirrel Dubbing

TYING INSTRUCTIONS

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3. Take a small amount of Olive/Brown Ice Dubbing and pull through fingers to align the fibres. This serves as both the shuck and the underwing. Tie on top of the hook with fibres, leaving it well forward of the eye, so it can be folded back.



4. Apply SLF Red Fox Squirrel dubbing to waxed thread and wind forward. Ensure that enough room is left to create the head of the fly.



5. Fold the Olive/Brown Ice Dubbing back and secure with a couple wraps to form the 1st underwing.



6. Remove the tip from a CDC feather and tie in to form the 2nd underwing.



7. Stroke fibres down on a small partridge or hen feather. Remove the tip. Stroke desired of fibres back (*about 1 hook gap*) to create a "V" wing.



8. Tie in on top of the hook. Secure with a few wraps of thread. Trim the excess and tie down with a few more wraps of thread.



9. Dub a pinch of SLF Red Fox Squirrel dubbing on thread.



10. Create a head with dubbed thread. Apply some head cement to thread and whipfinish.

Tight Lines & Good Luck!