

Fall Harvest Tube Fly



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Tubing- HMH 3/32" or Eumer Plastic Tubing Cut-to-Length (2" in length)

Tag- 1/8" Colored Junction Tubing to match Butt

Butt- Goose Shoulder Fibers to match Junction Tubing

Ribbing- Holographic Tinsel

Body- Hares Blend Dubbing

Throat- 1/8" Cross-cut Rabbit Strip

Wing- Squirrel Tail Fibers over Hula Wraps

Hackle- Pheasant Rump Hackle

Cheeks (opt.) - Jungle Cock

Cone (opt.) – Eumer Conehead to match

This pattern is a creation from the feathers and fur of the "fall harvest". Small game hunting and bird hunting is in my blood and nothing goes to waste in my household! I have to admit, I'm not much of an "artsy-fartsy" tube fly designer, but this Spey styled tube fly is easy on the eyes. This pattern has been in the concept stage for years and finally my vision has come together! Best of all, it catches fish on the swing!

I tie several color schemes representing the three major color phases of squirrels in North America...the grey fox, the red fox and the mutant black! This pattern can also be weighted by incorporating a brass conehead or dome cone to match the color scheme being tied. For example, I use a silver cone with grey fox, a brass cone with red fox, and a black nickel cone with black fox. The color of the junction tubing (tag) and butt material should also match to give contrast and added color to provoke a strike!

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