

# Caudatella Mayfly Cripple

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## Materials

<b>Hook:</b>	Dai Riki 280, #14
<b>Thread:</b>	8/0 olive dun
<b>Tail:</b>	Zelon – mayfly brown
<b>Rib:</b>	Uni-floss 1X – brown
<b>Body:</b>	Superfine dubbing – gray olive
<b>Wing:</b>	EP Trigger Point Fibers – light or medium dun
<b>Hackle:</b>	Light or medium dun

## Directions:

1. Attach thread to hook behind hook eye and wind backwards about halfway.
2. Tie in Zelon and hold upwards and on top of hook while continuing to wrap thread just past hook bend.
3. Tie in rib material.
4. Add dubbing to thread and wind forward until 2/3 point.
5. Wind rib material forward and tie off.
6. Tie in wing material, allowing materials to extend over hook eye. Wrap tightly as materials are slick. Cut rear section and leave small tuft.
7. Tie in hackle. Place 3 wraps behind wing and lift wing material up and place 2 wraps in front. Tie off hackle and cut excess.
8. Whip finish.
9. Trim tail 2/3 body length.
10. To trim wing, pull wing back and trim at end of body.
11. Trim hackle bottom even with hook point to allow low profile in water.

Here are other popular versions. On smaller flies, use thread for body rather than dubbing to create slim profile.

<b>Fly</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Shuck color</b>	<b>Body color</b>
Baetis	#18 – 24	Gray	Grayish-olive
PMD	#14 – 18	Brown	Yellowish-olive
Flav	#14 – 16	Brown	Olive

Green Drake	#10 – 12	Brown	Olive, ribbed w/yellow thread
Brown Drake	#10 – 12	Light brown	Tan, ribbed w/brown thread
Trico	#18 – 22	Brown	Black or olive. Use white deer hair for wing if desired
Callibaetis	#14 – 18	Gray	Gray or tan
Epeorus	#14 – 16	Amber	Yellowish-olive
Drake Mackerel	#12 – 14	Brown	Tan, ribbed w/brown thread
Mahogany Dun	#16	Brown	Mahogany

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