Flashback Pheasant Tail

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Materials

Hook: Dai Riki 075,#14

Thread: 8/0 Uni Rust or brown

Tail: Pheasant tail

Flashback: Pearlescent flash tinsel – small (size 14)

Rib: Fine copper wire

Body: Pheasant tail

Thorax: Pheasant tail

Body: Black dubbing

Ref: RiverKeeper Flies: JohnKreft.com

Directions:

- 1. Begin thread on hook and tie in 3-5 Pheasant tail fibers for tail.
- 2. Tie in copper wire at barb.
- 3. Tie in pearlescent tinsel for flashback at hook barb.
- 4. Tie in 5 7 Pheasant tail fibers for body.
- 5. Create slight taper with thread and end about 1/3 back from hook eye.
- 6. Wrap Pheasant tail forward to 1/3 mark. **DO NOT TRIM**.
- 7. Pull pearlescent tinsel forward over body and tie off.
- 8. Counter wrap copper wire forward using about 5 wraps and trim.
- 9. Pull back remaining Pheasant tail from body and place a few thread wraps to hold back. This will be the wing case.
- 10. Select 5 Pheasant tail fibers and tie in for thorax. Wrap towards eye and back towards body and back to eye, creating thick thorax.

- 11. Pull Pheasant tail fibers forward over thorax and tie down with a couple of thread wraps. Ensure Pheasant tail fibers form a wide wing case by pulling butt ends sideways. Secure with a few more thread wraps.
- 12. Whip finish.

Optional: Feel free to add lead under the thorax for a weighted version.