

The Donna

By Dennis Westover

Hook: TMC 100 #10
Thread: Black 6/0 UNI or UTC 70 denier
Body: Spirit River Lite-Brite Rainbow
Body: Blue Ribbon Flies precut hopper
body (black)
Underwing: Ten strands of pearl Krystal Flash
Overwing: Enrico Puglisi EP-Fibers White or
Polar White
Legs: Wapsi Nymph Sili Legs Black
solid



This is my original creation (as original as any fly pattern can be). I designed it to be easy to see, float low in the film but not sink, offer a bit of flash and present a profile that the fish may not have seen a thousand times. It has proven to be VERY effective on all our local rivers from August – October. I fish it on 4x both dead drift and with an occasional twitch. I tie it with pink and bright green wings but find white to be the most consistent producer. The fly is named after Donna Haglund who consistently out fishes Jay and me when she ties on “The Donna”.