

## Fly of the Month

### Micro Madison Baetis nymph

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The Micro Madison Baetis nymph is hands down my favorite Baetis pattern. I have been very successful with it, especially in the spring, and like it because it sinks rapidly (especially if tied with a tungsten bead) and is durable enough to last through six or eight hook ups. I usually fish it in tandem with a midge nymph like an RS-2 or a Zebra Midge. If it's not catching fish I add split shot 12" above the first fly until I can feel the whole rig ticking bottom.

#### Recipe

Hook:	TMC 100, size 18 or 20
Head:	Copper metal bead, 1.5 mm
Thread	Tan, 8/0
Tail	Hungarian partridge
Abdomen	The working thread
Rib:	Small brown hotwire
Wing case	Pearlescent mylar strip
Thorax	Olive Antron or Z-Ion dubbing

