MAY 2019 FOTM

Salmon Fly by Jay Melzer





Materials

Hook: #6 4X long

Thread: Orange 140 denier or 3/0 Egg Sack: Black Elk Hair or Deer Hair

Abdomen: Salmon Fly dubbing - a mix of black

and orange

Thorax: Peacock Herl
Under Wing: Natural Deer hair
Over Wing: Tan Poly fibers

Legs: Black or variegated Black and Orange,

Silicone legs are best. Rubber rots.

Back: Black 2mm foam



Feel free to substitute your favorite materials, this isn't rocket science.







Tying

Wrap the hook shank with thread.

Tie in a clump of black hair all along the shank, clip to form a short egg sack. Dub the body from the bend to two thirds up the shank.

Tie in the deer hair under wing and the add the poly over wing. Cement. Tie the Peacock Herl in but don't wrap yet.

Wrap a couple turns of Peacock.

Tie in the rear of the foam over the Peacock and tie in the rear legs. Wind more of the Peacock and tie off behind the eye.

Tie down the front of the foam and add the front legs / antenna. Tie off under the foam to form a small head. Cement the head.



Salmon flies appear in good numbers on the East Fork and the West Fork in mid June. It is easy to tell when the hatch is on, just count the boats going up 93. The river is likely to be running fast at this time of year so please be careful.