



Fly of the Month

Tarantula Tarpon Bunny

As tied by Capt. Bryon Chamberlin

What you need/materials

Hook: Gamakatsu SL12s 1/0

Thread: Tan flat waxed nylon

Tail: 1/4" rabbit zonker

Body: Medium hackle feather

Head: 1/2" EP tarantula brush

Foul guard: 16-pound mason

Instructions

- 1) Attach thread near bend of the hook and tie in about 2 inches of 16-pound mason facing rear.
- 2) Tie in zonker strip leather side down on top of the mason. Trim the zonker to about 2 inches
- 3) Using either the hook point or bodkin, punch a hole through the leather of the zonker about 1/3 of its length, thread the mason through the hole, bend the mason forward forming a loop and tie down on top of the zonker. Trim excess mason line.
- 4) Tie in a hackle feather by its base and palmer forward. Tie down and trim excess.
- 5) Tie on tarantula brush and palmer toward the hook eye. Secure with thread and trim excess with side cutter or fingernail clippers. Form a head with the tread, whip finish and apply head cement.