

# Stacking Deer Hair

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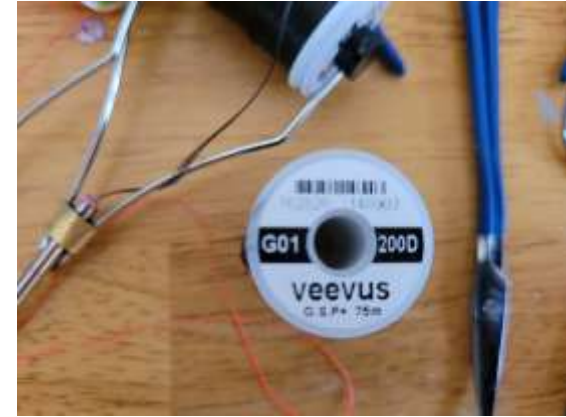


# Materials and Tools



Deer belly hair

Hair Packer  
Razor  
Scissors  
Half Hitch Tool  
Bodkin



GSP (Gel Spun Polyethylene Thread)



Glue, Cement, CA Accelerator



# Initial Stage – Preparing Hook



**Hook Size: 2/0 Hint: using a heavier hook such as Ahrex TP6010 will not only resist bending, but will also help to counter balance fly in water.**

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After coating hook shank in CA glue, spray Zip Kicker into a cut off bottle and hold over hook to allow fumes to activate glue.

This will create a glass like coating which will provide a solid foundation to build onto.

The bump of thread is required to stop the hair from sliding back too far on hook.

# Stacking Hair – First Column



- Cut hair close to hide
- Remove underfur with fingers or comb
- Total sum of hair on top of hook should roughly equal the hair on bottom
- Wrap two to three times loosely, then pinch and pull thread



# Stacking Hair First Column



- Keep tips on all bundles added to first column- they will become part of collar
- First stack added to bottom of hook for all columns (approximately 3 pencils thick)
- When wrapping thread, always follow the same path
- Keep tension thread at all times when winding

# Stacking Hair – First Column



Use your scissors to create a space for the next bundle



# Stacking Hair- First Column





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**Compressing both stacks**

**Tying off**

**Adding cement**

# Stacking Hair – Rubber Legs



**Compress Stacks**

**Add rubber Legs (optional)**

# Stacking Hair – Rubber Legs

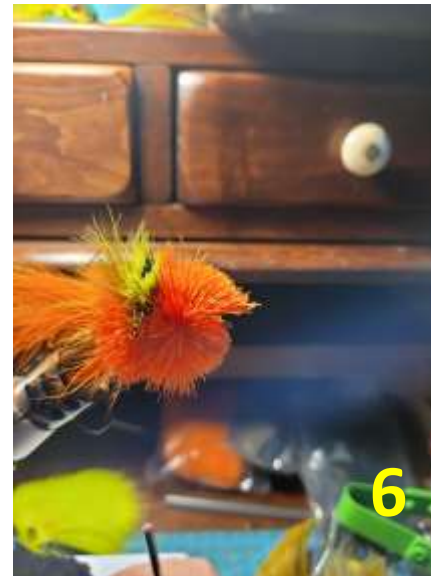


**Compress Stacks and Rubber Legs**

**Advance thread**



# Stacking Hair – Second Column



Repeat stacking process following same pattern, beginning with hair to bottom of hook.

# Stacking Hair – Second Column



Repeat stacking process to add highlight colors





# Stacking Hair – Second Column



**Pack hair and add glue.  
Ready to start third and  
final column now.**



# Stacking Hair – Securing Stacks



Tying off and cementing stacks

# Stacking Hair – Final Column



**Advance thread  
Add final color stacks  
in same pattern  
Compress and tie off**

# Stacking Hair – Ready for Haircut





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**Hint: Steam to soften hair for cutting**

# Stacking Hair – Trimming

Trim hair around eye of hook first  
Shape belly of fly with razor





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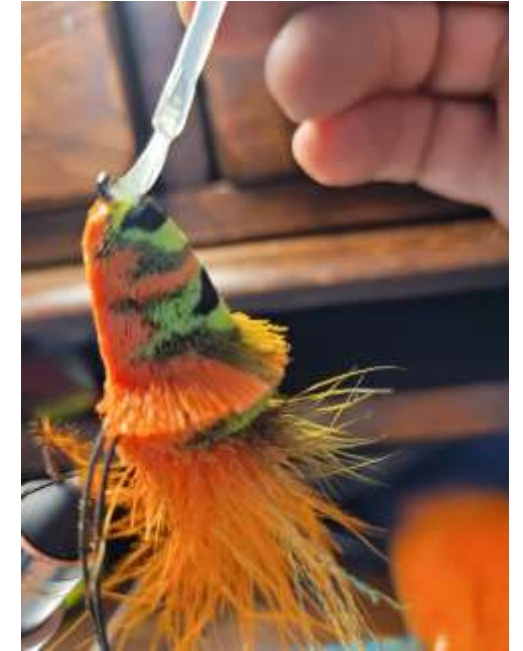
**Shape body of fly with razor**

**Rough shape at first, then refine**

**Use sharp blade, replace as needed**

# Stacking Hair – Sealing the Fly

Coat bottom, tip of nose, and collar with cement





# Ready to Cast



**Eyes are optional**