

Pheasant Tail Copper Bead Head

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This slightly off-beat pattern is surprisingly versatile. I think it looks like several forms of underwater insect life. Whatever the fish think it is, they love it.

Here's the dressing:

Hook	Scud style. Here, a Daiichi model 1150.
Thread	Fine brown; here, 8/0 Uni-Thread.
Bead Head	1/8 inch copper.
Tail/Body	Cock ringneck pheasant tail fibers.
Ribbing	Very fine copper wire.
Wing	Gray Chickabou from Whiting Farms.



Step 1. An easy way to handle beads, using hackle pliers.



Step 2. The bead positioned on the hook.



Step 3. The pheasant tail fibers and copper ribbing wire tied in.



Step 4. The pheasant tail wrapped and the ribbing wire counter-wrapped.

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Step 5. The finished fly.

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