

Quick Ties with Tom Regina... Black Marabou Leech

HOOK	Mustad 79580, 4XL, size 12
WEIGHT	12-20 turns .020 round lead free wire
THREAD	6/0 black
TAIL	Black marabou
BODY	Working thread
MID-WING	Black marabou
FRONT WING	Black marabou with six strands black Krystal Flash



1. Crush the hook barb. Place hook in vise and wrap hook shank with about 16 wraps of weighting wire.

2. Just in front of and touching the weighting wire, attach the thread with a jam knot and layer the hook shank and wire with thread.



3. Gather a good bunch of marabou fibers and clip or strip them from the feather stem. Measure the fibers the length of the hook shank and tie the fibers in at the hook bend. Wrap the thread over the fiber butts and continue to wrap the thread forward to about the hook shank midpoint.



4. Gather a second bunch of fibers the same density as the first bunch. Again measure the fibers the length of the hook shank. Tie this second bunch of fibers in at the midpoint of the hook shank. Tie down the fiber butts and wrap the thread to just behind the hook eye.

5. Prepare a third bunch of marabou fibers the same size and length as the first two. Tie this third bunch of fibers in just in back of the hook eye.



6. Measure six strands of black Krystal Flash the same length as the marabou. Tie the KF in at the front of the marabou. Clip away the excess KF, form a neat thread head, whip finish and cement the head.

