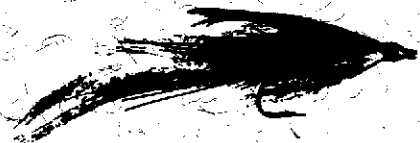


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## COOK'S CRITTER

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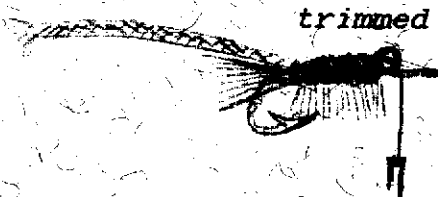
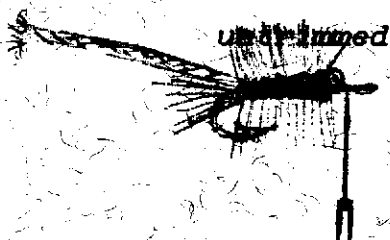
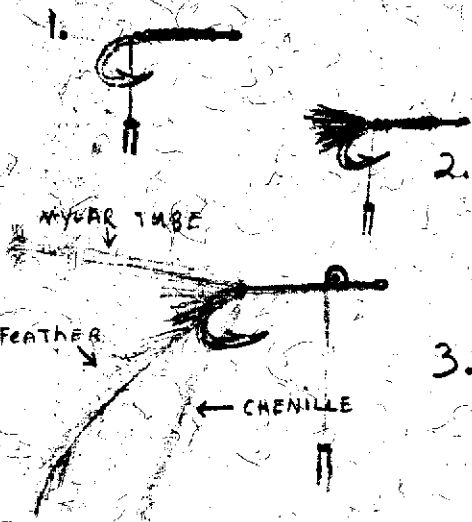
This is a shrimp pattern and is great for bonefish, speckled trout, redfish and even small dolphin.

Place a sharpened barbless stainless steel hook #6 to #2 in vise. Tie on thread behind hook eye and wrap back to hook bend, stopping at a point above barb.

Tie on 8-10 pieces of flashabou or krystal flash for the tail. It should stick out behind hook 3/4 inch. Next, tie on 3 inch piece of mylar tubing (center removed) and let stick out back end. Next, tie on a hackle feather that you have stripped off the quill's from the lower end. Then tie on a 6 inch piece of chenille (any color) for body.

Wrap thread forward and let hang 1/4 inch behind eye of hook. Next tie on bead eyes 1/4 inch behind hook eye, leaving room for head.

Wrap chenille body forward, tapering near eyes by overlapping chenille and tie off behind eyes. Next, palmer hackle feather forward overlapping chenille body and tie off behind eyes. Next trim top and sides of fly and leave palmered feathers on bottom only, to form legs of shrimp. Shrimp don't have legs coming out of their sides. Watch that barb!



Bring thread forward of eyes and let hang. Now, fold mylar tubing over body and secure tightly in front of eyes. Trim excess off and turn fly upside down in vise. Tie on small amount of kipp tail, bucktail or squirrel tail to form beard. It should extend out approximately 3/4 inch behind hook. Whip finish and coat with head cement. Top of mylar tubing may be colored with magic marker.