

Shellback Scud.... Tom Regina

Hook	Mustad C49S size 12
Thread	3/0 Gray
Rib	Fine Copper Wire
Shellback	1/8" Gray Scud Back
Body	Gray Hareline Krystal Dubbing



1. Crush the hook barb and mount the hook in the vise. With a jam knot, start the thread one hook eye distance in back of the hook eye. Cover the hook shank, well down into the hook bend, with touching thread wraps. At the back end of the thread wraps, tie in the rib wire and the scud back. The rib wire and scud back should lay along the top of the hook shank. Cut away the butts of the rib wire and scud back. Wrap the thread forward to the thread tie in point completely covering the rib wire and scud back butts. Spiral wrap the thread back to the rib and scud back tie in point.



2. Dub a stout, loose, buggy body.



3. Pull the scud back over the top of the fly scratching it just enough so it conforms to the top of the fly without going down *too* far over the sides of the fly. Tie the scud back off behind the hook eye and trim the excess scud back.



4. Wind the rib wire forward in four or five open wraps to form a segmented body. Tie the wire off behind the hook eye. Cut away the excess wire, form a thread head, whip finish and cement the head.



5. Use a needle or a dubbing teaser to pick out dubbing from the underside of the fly. This creates an illusion of legs.