

## *Feather Tail Gurgler .... Based on the Original Recipe by Jack Gartside*

<b>HOOK</b>	Mustad 34007, size to suit prey
<b>THREAD</b>	Red 3/0 or flat waxed mono
<b>TAIL</b>	4 or 6 hackles, concave side out, crystal flash
<b>BODY</b>	Ice chenille over 3 mm foam
<b>THROAT</b>	2 wraps of red hackle
<b>BACK/LIP</b>	3 mm foam (second layer optional)



1. Place de-barbed hook in vise. Lay thread base from eye to bend. Select 2 or 3 pairs of hackle. Cut and trim so they are equal in length and about 1 1/2 times the length of hook. All feathers can be tied in at once using the pinch method or you may choose to tie half the feathers on one side first and the second half in the next step. You may even choose to tie the feathers in one at a time. Tie in so feathers bow outward. Top tail with 10 or so strands of crystal flash.



2. Cut a section of 3mm foam two hooks long and the width of the hook gape. Trim one end of the foam into the form of a stake. Tie in the sharpened end just behind the hook eye and then wrap the thread over the foam in 6 or 7 equally spaced turns back to the bend.



3. Tie in a length of ice chenille at the bend. Wrap the thread forward over the foam in the tracks of the previous thread wraps stopping an eye length behind the eye. Then wrap the ice chenille forward in the thread tracks, tie in and trim excess. Tie in a red hackle, wrap two turns to simulate gills, secure and trim excess.



4. Bring the foam forward and tie in just behind the hook eye with several firm wraps. Cut a second piece of foam and tie in directly over the first. Whip finish over the tie-in point and then lift the foam and whip finish again just behind the hook eye. Coat all thread wraps liberally with head cement