

Parachute Sparkle Adams

Materials

Hook	Dry fly, usually 8-32
Thread	8/0 black
Tail	Grizzly and brown hackle, 2 strands pearl crystal flash
Abdomen /Thorax	Adams superfine or muskrat
Rib	Pearl crystal flash
Wing	White poly yarn
Hackle	Grizzly and brown



Tying Instructions



1. Debarb hook. Mount hook in vise. Tie on thread behind eye and wrap thread base back to a point directly over barb. Form a "thread bump" by wrapping half a dozen turns over the barb. Select 4-5 barbs each of stiff grizzly and brown, web free hackle. Tie in over barb to form tail the length as hook shank. The barbs should "fan out" slightly because of thread bump. Tie in two strands of crystal flash atop and just slightly longer than hackle tail. Tie in single strand of crystal flash and let hang in place to form rib later.



2. Bring thread forward to point 1/3 shank length back from eye. Cut 1" length of yarn. For size 14 hook, divide yarn in half lengthwise. Place yarn atop and perpendicular to hook at tie-in point. Take 6-7 firm "X pattern" wraps around center of yarn and shank, locking yarn in place in the "down wing" position. Grab ends of yarn and pull straight up above shank. Take 6-12 horizontal wraps around base of yarn forming parachute base about 1/8" high. A few additional diagonal and horizontal wraps will strengthen base.



3. Bring thread to rear tie-in point. Dub a fine abdomen, tapered slightly from back to front to wing post. Form rib with 4-5 evenly spaced turns of crystal flash. Tie in just in front of wing post. Select and prepare grizzly and brown hackles and tie in at 45 degree angle between post and hook eye. Continue wrapping thread back toward wing post and then around post and hackle to top of previously formed thread base. Now dub in front of and behind wing post to form thorax slightly larger around than abdomen.



4. Wrap 3-4 turns (clockwise looking at top of fly) with both hackles at the same time, working from the top of thread base towards the bottom, each turn below the previous one. Tie in at front of thorax. Trim and form neat thread head. Trim wing to same length as hook shank. Coat head and thread base around wing post lightly with head cement.