Rainbow Warrior



Hook: Dai-Riki 125, Tiemco 2457, or Daiichi 1130 Sizes 12-22

Bead: Silver Tungsten (Optional: Lead free wire wraps as added weight)

Thread: Red

Tail: 4-6 Pheasant tail fibers

Abdomen: Cut (or buy) large pearl tinsel for 12-18, and medium for 20 and 22

Thorax: Wapsi (or other) Rainbow Sow Scud Dubbing

Wingcase: Same pearl tinsel as abdomen

- 1. Smash hook barb
- 2. Attach bead appropriate for the hook size being used (small hole toward hook eye)
- 3. Lay several wraps of lead-free wire for additional weight (optional)
- 4. Run thread rearward and place the PT fibers so that they extend about a hook-gaps length from the body
- 5. Run thread back towards the bead. Pinch tinsel over the length of the fly and wind thread back to the base of the tail to secure the tinsel
- 6. Wind thread back to about 1/4" behind the bead
- 7. Wind tinsel to the thread and secure the tinsel with the thread. Leave tag end of tinsel uncut
- 8. Dub Rainbow Sow dubbing and wind thread to behind the bead.
- 9. Fold the tinsel (from Step 7) over the dubbing to the bead
- 10. Wind thread to capture tinsel, trim tinsel, and whip finish to make a collar