

## March Fly of the Month - Gold-Ribbed Hare's Ear Nymph

**Hook:** Standard Nymph Hook - size 12 to 16.

**Weight:** 10 turns of lead wire.

**Thread:** Black 6/0 or 8/0.

**Tail:** Hare's mask guard hair.

**Rib:** Oval Gold Tinsel.

**Abdomen:** Tan Hare's mask fur.

**Shell:** Mottled Turkey feather.

**Thorax:** Dark hare's mask fur with guard hairs.



1) Wrap the hook shank with ten turns of lead wire for weight. Start your thread and wrap in extra thickness on each end of the lead wire to hold it in place. Finish with the thread by the bend of the hook.



2) Tie in a small amount of hare's mask guard hair fur from the cheek as a tail. Extend out only about one half of the hook shank length. Tie in a few inches of gold tinsel and let it extend out of

the back for later use.



3) Clip lighter color fur from the hare's mask and remove most of the guard hairs. Dub in the under-fur hair, wrapping to the half way point of the hook shank. Wrap the gold tinsel in loose wraps to the half way point and tie it off.



4) Tie in a section of Mottled turkey feather with the mottled side facing down so it will show when flip ed over the top later.



5) Dub in a mixture of darker coarse guard hair and longer under fur to create a thorax. Allow the guard hair to stick out to represent the legs of the insect.



6) Flip the turkey feather over the top and tie it off at the eye. Clip off the excess feather and whip finish a head. Dab in head cement to seal the head.

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