

# American Shad Fly Darts



## Materials:

- Hook – Eagle Claw 1197N , Tiemco 5262 , Mustad 3366, - All size # 6
- Cone Head - Large or ¼ “ L, Chartreuse or Red
- Tail – Slinky Fiber or calf tail or marabou – White or Chartreuse
- Tail Flash – Krystal Flash or similar – silver, pearl, etc.
- Body – Var. Tinsel Chenille, Medium, White/Pearl, or Fl. Green/Pearl
- Thread – Danville’s Flat Waxed Nylon – White or Fl. Yellow or Chartreuse

## Tying Instructions:

- Crimp Barb, Optional
- Lay down 1/16 or less thread in front (eye) ¼” end of hook to stabilize cone (optional)
- Tie in thread behind cone and wrap shank back until above the barb
- Tie in tail material
- Fold 1 strand of Krystal Flash 4 times and tie in middle at tail material on back side, bring second half of the Krystal Flash to tiers side and tie in with 2 or 3 wraps.
- Strip off ¼” chenille material and tie in at tail.
- Wrap thread to behind cone
- Palmer (wrap) chenille to behind cone snugly
- Wrap thread firmly several times followed by 4 half hitches
- Cut Krystal Flash loops and trim tail = body length

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