



## MYLAR SHAD FLY

### Overview

The Mylar shad fly is a simple pattern that lends itself to being tied in a variety of colors. Tied in fluorescent colors, it has the bright and flashy characteristics popular in flies used for spawning Hickory Shad.

### Materials List

HOOK: Standard streamer hook, size #6 or #4 (Gold Aberdeen hook as an alternative)

THREAD: 6/0 (140 denier) color to match body

EYES: Medium Bead Chain or Extra Small DB, Silver or Gold

BODY: Medium Ultra Chenille (color of choice)

BACK & BELLY: Small Mylar tubing (pearl, silver, or gold)

TAIL: Teased-out Mylar tubing

### Tying Steps

1. Wrap a thread base for the eyes.
2. Secure the eyes with figure-eight wraps and three or more wraps between the eyes and the hook shank to tighten everything. Add a drop of glue.
3. Wrap a thread base to the back of the hook. Loop a 2" length of the chenille over the front of the eyes. Pull the chenille tight to the back of the hook and tie in on the far side of the shank.
4. Repeat step 3, tying in on the near side of the hook shank. Cut the tag ends of the chenille using heavy duty scissors or cutters.
5. Remove the core from a 2" length of Mylar tubing. Force the hook eye through the center of the tubing. Pull the tubing to the back of the fly and tie in.
6. Whip finish and clip the thread. Tease out the tubing to form the tail and trim as desired. Add glue to the thread wraps.