Royal Trude

Materials Needed:

Hook: TMC 100 #6-18. Thread: Black 8/0 - 6/0.

Tail: Golden Pheasant Tippets.

Wingpost: White Calf Tail or polypropylene.

Body: Peacock, Red Floss, Peacock.

Hackle: Brown.



1. Attach 8-10 Golden Pheasant tippets for a tail. Keep the tips aligned. Tail segment should be about the length of the hook shank. Wrap the butts up to the midpoint of the shank.



- 2. Attach 3 peacock herls by the tips to the back half of the hook shank. Wrap the tips from the midpoint of the shank to the start of the tail.
- 3. Wrap the herls around the bobbin thread and make a herl rope. Wrap the herl rope about 3 turns around the rear shank, undo the rope and secure the herl wraps.
- 3a. Don't cut peacock herls yet.



- 4. Tie in a strand of red floss and wrap the tying thread forward to a point about equivalent to 2/3's of the base thread wrap.
- 4a. Don't cut peacock herls yet.



5. Wrap the red floss forward and back and forward again to assure a smooth body. Secure the floss segment with a few thread wraps.



- 6. Create another herl rope with the herl tags from the first segment. Wrap the second herl segment with 3 wraps of the herl rope and secure with thread wraps.
- 7. Trim the herl and floss tags and wrap a thread base to the front part of the hook shank.



- 8. Clip a small bundle of calf tail, (or polypropylene), and even the tips in a stacker. Attach the hair to the top of the shank directly in front of the second herl segment. A first loop around the hair bundle helps to keep the hair from working around the shank. The length of the wing should equal the hook shank.
- 9. Trim the wing butts at an angle and secure the butts with thread wraps.



- 10. Attach a brown hackle by the butt end directly in front of the wing. The fibers should be about 1 1/2 x's the hook gap.
- 11. Wrap the hackle to just behind the eye. Secure the tag end and trim excess. Complete the fly with a whip finish.

See completed fly above.

