Terrestrial Beetle Pattern

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Here is a flying beetle pattern developed by Dennis Potter that is easy to tie, good to see on the water and will catch a few fish.

Hook: #6 to #16 short shank hook, 1x heavy. This helps to orientate the fly.

Thread: I used 8/0 green thread to match the peacock herl.

Underbody: Peacock herl twisted with the tying thread.

Back: Fly Foam, I used motor oil color.

Wings: Grey Poly Yarn

Legs; Medium Centipede Legs

Indicator: I used Egg Yarn to make the fly more visible on the water.

Wrap the thread past the bend of the hook. Cut your Fly Foam to a point on one end and bind the foam to the rear of the hook shank. Tie in your peacock for the under body, make a thread loop and twist the thread and the peacock together. Wrap the peacock chenille and secure leaving enough room to tie the foam off and make a head.



Form a head by bending the foam back, tie it off and trim the excess.



Tie in the wings, legs and some hi-vis material. Trim to size and you are finished.



Bottom view of finished fly.

