

The Black 3D Glass Buzzer

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This is a fly I would not be without, be it river or reservoir fishing.

I love to fish it on a floating line, as the point fly in a team of three, under an indicator, very slowly with the occasional twitch.

However I will often swap it, in smaller sizes, onto one of the droppers with a larger Red 3D glass buzzer on the point (as a bloodworm imitation).



Dressing

Hook	Kamasan B110/ Tiemco 2457/ or Lathkill Cheeks 31165 in sizes 8 to 14	Medium Red holographic tinsel (in smaller sizes use fine red holographic tinsel). Some tiers use Glo-brite floss red or orange)
Thread	Black 6ought or 8ought Uni-thread	
Body	Black tying thread	Breathers White wool / white poly-yarn / white Antron. Note : some tiers tie breathers in "bow-tie" style.
Rib	Fine pearl tinsel (I use Gordon Griffiths Flashalure Green Pearl)	Coat whole fly (apart from breathers) with 3 or 4 coats of Sally Hanson Hard as Nails Varnish
Thorax	Black tying thread	



Step 1

Set hook in vice (ping it) and catch on tying thread (3 turns)



Step 2

Remove waste tag of tying thread...



Step 3

...and using “pinch and loop” technique, catch in the wool, on top of hook shank, (leave the excess long over the eye)



Step 4

Trim the waste wool...



Step 5

...in line with the hook shank...



Step 6

...and bind down the waste



Step 7

Continue tying thread, in touching turns, down the hook shank to around the bend



Step 8

Tie in the fine pearl tinsel



Step 9

Return tying thread to thorax and wind the pearl tinsel, in open turns, up the body



Step 10

Secure and remove waste



Step 11

Catch in the red holographic tinsel, on each side of thorax...



Step 12

...and using tying thread build up the thorax



Step 13

Draw the tinsel forward on both sides...



Step 14

...Secure and remove waste tinsel



Step 15

Lift wool, whip finish...



Step 16

Remove tying thread



Step 17

Holding the wool breathers between finger and thumb...



Step 18 & Finished Fly

...give entire fly 3 coats of Sally Hanson Hard as Nails varnish and trim breathers to required length.(The finished fly)

Tip : Holding the long tag of wool in this way helps avoid the varnish "bleeding" into the wool.



Other side

Wind cock hackle around hook shank (3,4 or 5 turns depending on hook size).