

Olive Gold-Bead Bug

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Although a simple fly to tie, this has caught me many trout and grayling from the upper River Severn at my home town of Llanidloes.

I cannot find a picture or tying recipe in any of my Fly-tying books for this pattern.

Tie it in various sizes, 10 to 16, some with a lead underbody to get the fly down quicker. Using a tungsten bead would have a similar effect.



Dressing

Hook	Kamasan B110 Size 10 to 16 (Heavyweight Grub Hook)	Body	Olive Antron Body-wool Or with Olive Hares Ear dubbing, Olive Pheasant Tail Fibres, Olive SLF etc
Head	3mm Gold Bead – or Tungsten Size of bead depending on size of hook	Legs/ Wing Buds	Brown or Black Goose Biots
Thread	Olive 6 ough Uni-thread	Underbody	if required – Lead Wire



Step 1

Slide point of hook into small hole of gold bead.



Step 2

Then slide bead up to eye of hook.
Secure hook in vice (ping it).



Step 3

Catch on olive Uni-thread, behind bead, at eye.



Step 4

Using excess tag of thread as a guide, run thread down hook shank in touching turns.



Continue down around bend of hook and remove excess tag of thread.



Step 5

Produce conical, cigar shaped underbody, using tying thread by working up, then down ...



and up again ...



and return thread to bend.



Step 6

Dub thin nodule of Antron body-wool onto thread ...



and dub body ...



stopping just short of gold-bead at thorax area.



Step 7

Choose 2 brown or black goose biots.



Tie in (concave facing in) with one either side of the hook shank.



Remove excess biots.



Step 8

Dub another sparse nodule of olive Antron body wool onto thread ...



and finish thorax area.
(Two strands of peacock herl also work well here.)



Step 9

Whip finish behind gold-bead and remove thread.



The finished fly

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