

# Pistol Pete



## Materials

<b>Hook:</b>	Tiemco TMC 5263 (3XL, 2XH, DE nymph/streamer), Size 8 or 10
<b>Fly Propeller:</b>	Medium – 9/16"
<b>Thread:</b>	UTC 8/0 or 6/0, color to match body
<b>Head:</b>	Nickel Brass Bead – 4mm or 5/32"
<b>Weight:</b>	0.015" lead-free wire (optional)
<b>Tail:</b>	Marabou
<b>Body:</b>	Peacock herl or chenille
<b>Hackle:</b>	Color to match tail

## Tying Steps

1. Crimp the hook barb, slide on the propeller and then slide on the bead so the large hole faces the propeller. *Note: the normal procedure requires the small hole to face the hook eye.*
2. Leaving a small gap behind the propeller, attach the thread and build a ball behind the propeller and in front of the bead. Allow room for the propeller to spin freely.
3. Slide the bead forward over the thread ball. Once it fits snugly, back it off, tie off the thread, trim the excess, add a drop of super glue to the thread ball, and slide the bead up on the thread. Ensure that the propeller spins freely.
4. Add several wraps of lead-free wire behind the bead (optional).
5. Re-attach the thread and form a thread dam behind the wire (if added) or bead.
6. Run the thread toward the hook bend, tie in the marabou tail, trim the butt ends and form a smooth thread underbody.
7. Tie in the chenille and the tip of the hackle at the tail. Run the thread to the bead and trim the excess chenille and hackle.
8. Wrap the chenille forward to the bead in closely-spaced turns. Tie off behind the bead and trim the excess.
9. Spiral wrap (palmer) the hackle forward to the bead. Tie off the hackle and trim the excess.
10. Add a few reinforcing thread wraps, add a whip finish or several half hitches, cut the excess thread, and add a drop of head cement (optional). *Note: some fish have a very sensitive sense of smell and don't like the unnatural odor of head cement.*