

Golden Retriever



Materials:

Hook	Mustad 9672 streamer (3XL) or equivalent, #10 or #12
Head	Brass or brass-plated tungsten bead, 5/32" for #10, 1/8" for #12
Weight	Lead substitute wire, .025" for #10, .020" for #12 (optional)
Thread	3/0 or 6/0, red
Tail	Marabou or craft fur, ginger, tan or peach
Tail Flash	Small Krystal Flash, gold (optional)
Underbody	Thread or floss, red
Ribbing	Petite Estaz, peach, tan or gold

Tying Instructions:

1. Crimp the hook barb. Thread a bead on the hook with the small hole forward. Place the hook in the vice so the crimped barb and point are visible.
2. (optional) Make a few wraps of lead substitute wire on the forward half of the hook shank. Push forward to align and secure the bead against the hook eye. Add a drop of head cement to the wire for security.
3. Lay in thread behind the wire wraps (if used), build a thread dam behind the wire, secure the wire with crisscross thread wraps, and bring the thread back to the hook bend. If wire is not used, lay in thread behind the bead and then form a thread base back to the bend.
4. Secure the tail material over the crimped barb so it measures no more than the hook shank. Cut off the tail material butts even with the rear of the wire (if used) or bead. Wind the thread forward over the tail material butts to the rear of the bead.
5. Strip off a few fibers from the Estaz and secure it by the thread core to reduce bulk at the tie-in point. Tie in just behind the bead, then wrap the thread rearward to the tail.
6. Wind the thread back to the bead and attach red floss, if used. Wind the floss back and forth to make a smooth underbody. Secure it with thread at the bead and trim the excess. If floss is not used, use the thread to form a smooth underbody from the tail to the bead.
7. Wind the Estaz forward in 5-6 even and open turns so the red underbody shows between wraps, then secure behind the bead and trim excess. Whip finish or lay in a few half hitches.
Note: Head cement is not recommended unless you allow plenty of time to dry - Sunfish and Trout have a good sense of smell and don't like the unnatural scent of head cement.