

November 2018 Fly of the Month

The Krabby Patty (a saltwater fly) By Kevin Green, submitted by Gary Kosaka

For those who have the opportunity to fish the coast, tie a couple of these and try them out. Cast over the incoming tide wave and strip to keep a tight line. A retreating channel is also very good. Fish will follow the disturbance hoping to pick up a crab or worm that is dislodged. The eyes will make it dive to the bottom. I think the key to fish this fly is to get it to the bottom fast!



That's my size 12 surf boot. Have fun! Gary Kosaka

Recipe (in order of use):

- Hook - Gamakatsu B10S Stinger, size 6
- Thread – Danville red 210 denier flat waxed nylon
- Eyes – 5/32 black Dazl eyes (photo shows large black bead chain, which also works)
- Red marabou tail
- Spirit River's "Palmer Chenille Rootbeer" or Wapsi's Palmer Chenille in medium rootbeer (same product as far as I can tell) – tie it in at the back of the hook and let hang until you've applied the base chenille (below) to the hook shank, then palmer it forward over the base chenille
- Base chenille – some sparkly dark red medium chenille, such as Cascade Crest Tools' size 3 "New Age Chenille" in Cherry Pearl
- Finish/Thread protection from abrasive sand – superglue, epoxy, Clear Cure Goo, Tuffleye, or a couple of layers of Sally Hanson's Hard as Nails.

It's a quick easy tie, like a wooly bugger with dumbbell eyes. The key ingredient is the "Palmer Chenille Rootbeer," which has great movement and fishy eye-catching pearly colors. The recipe above is my favorite, but I've varied the ingredients (similar hooks, orange or brown thread, orange marabou tail, different base chenilles, etc.) and all variations seem to work pretty well. This fly catches surf perch better than any other fly I've used. It has also caught halibut, croaker and corbina. *Good luck! - Kevin*