



Monadnock Trout Unlimited - Intermediate Fly Tying

Welcome!

Thanks for attending Monadnock Trout Unlimited's Fly Tying Class. We hope you learn a lot about fly tying, learn a little bit about fishing the Monadnock Region, meet some fellow fishermen, and have a whole lot of fun in the process.

Why are we teaching these classes? All of the instructors and helpers in this class are volunteers. We're spending our time teaching these classes for three main reasons.

1. We want to expose more people to the work that Trout Unlimited is doing. We think a good way to do that is to meet like-minded people, who might be interested in TU's activities.
2. We want to raise some money for our TU Chapter. In the last year we've sponsored stewardship of a local river, a children's fishing derby, the Salmon in the Classroom Program, and a variety of other projects. It takes money to do this, and we think this is a fun way to generate some funds.
3. Most importantly, *we like to tie flies!* All of the instructors here are avid fly tyers (OK, some are obsessive-compulsive fly tyers...) We enjoy tying, and we enjoy tying in a group with other tyers. We enjoy teaching newcomers how to tie as well.

So who or what is Trout Unlimited? Well, it's a national organization with local chapters. The overall mission of TU is to conserve, protect and restore North America's trout and salmon fisheries and their watersheds. TU members believe that the best way to restore America's trout water is to create healthy habitat, not necessarily by heavy stocking. Once streams are returned to their original status the fish will take care of themselves. In the Monadnock Region we assist Fish and Game with stream surveys, perform restoration like removing dams and adding appropriate structure to create riffles and rapids, and work with landowners to provide stewardship services for trout streams. We meet monthly in Dublin, where we usually have a guest speaker discussing a fishing trip, a guide service, or a TU program. You're welcome to join us at any time.

So let's tie some flies!

Tight lines,

George, Larry, and Jim



Monadnock Trout Unlimited - Intermediate Fly Tying Ground Rules

We thought it might be good to set down a few ground rules that pertain to the class.

1. The class meets from 6:00 until 8:45. We need to leave promptly by 9:00. Please come early to set up your equipment so we can start the class exactly at 6:00. We'll take a 15 minute break at 7:45.
2. We'll meet every Tuesday night. We'll cancel class if the Keene School district has a snow day. We'll try to get the a closing announced on WKNE as well, but follow whatever the school district does.
3. In the event of snow days, we'll make up the classes at the end of the session in March.
4. Students are responsible for their own tools. We have some tools to borrow, and have some TU toolsets available to buy. We can point you to some places to buy tools as well.
5. Materials will be provided for students to use during the class, as well as for a bit of "homework." You will need to provide your own materials for flies tied outside of class. We can give you guidance here as well.
6. Have a fly you'd like to learn how to tie? Bring it in. We can work on it with you.
7. We've published a list of patterns, but this will likely change based on the make up of the class. Please be flexible.
8. We're all here to have fun! We hope that you learn something in the process, but your main goal is to enjoy yourself. If this isn't happening, let us know! We probably just forgot to tell you something important...



Monadnock Trout Unlimited - Intermediate Fly Tying Class Patterns

The following patterns will be taught. We chose them because:

1. They're easy to tie.
2. They catch fish. In the Ashuelot, not just in Montana.
3. If you can tie these, you have the skills to tie just about anything.

Beginner's Class

January 6	<i>Fundamentals</i>	Sucker Spawn	Wooly Bugger
January 13	<i>Nymphs</i>	Gold-Ribbed Hare's Ear	Zug Bug
January 20	<i>Nymphs II</i>	Pheasant Tail Nymph	Prince Nymph
January 27	<i>Streamers</i>	Black Nose Dace	Mickey Fin
February 3	<i>Wet Flies</i>	Partridge and Orange	Black Gnat
February 10	<i>Dry Flies</i>	Elk Hair Caddis	Cahill

This is a list of the main fly for each class as well as a secondary fly (similar in construction, but different from the main fly). In addition we'll also have a stretch fly (slightly more complicated than the secondary fly - good for advanced students, or for homework.)


Intermediate Class

February 17	<i>Simple Dries</i>	CDC & Elk	Bivisible
February 24	<i>More Dries</i>	Adams	Parachute Biot Cahill
March 3	<i>Big Tasty Things</i>	Crayfish	Deer Hair Mouse
March 10	<i>Caddis</i>	Triple K	Sparkle Caddis Pupa
March 17	<i>Terrestrials</i>	Ants - Beetles	Hoppers - Crickets
March 24	<i>Midges</i>	Krenich, Quill	Brassie, Sulphur Dun
March 31	<i>Snow Day</i>		

The Intermediate Class will build on the skills presented in the Beginner's Class. Patterns presented here are a bit more difficult, but also represent proven "go-to" patterns of the MTU tyers.



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Sponsors



Gray	Brown
Yellow	1330-18
Black	1280-14
1550-18	1180-14

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Week 1 CDC & Elk

Hook D 1180-14
Thread To match
tail None
body CDC
hackle CDC
wing Elk or Deer Hair



Bivisible

Hook D 1180-14
thread black 6/0
tail None
hackle 2/3 Brown, 1/3 White



Week 2 Adams

Hook Daiichi 1180-14
thread black or gray 6/0
tail Brown/Grizzly Hackle fibers
body Gray dubbing
wing Grizzly Hackle tips
Hackle brown and grizzly, mixed



Parachute Cahill

Hook Daiichi 1180-14
thread primrose 6/0
tail hackle fibers
body tan or cream goose biot
wingpost Antron yarn or turkey flat





Week 3 Crayfish

Hook	#8 4XL D2220
thread	black
weight	.015
claws	hen mallard flank
antennae	pheasant tail fibers 6 or 7 1 1/2 hook shank
carapace cover	tip of flank feather (1/2 L of antennae)
back	furry foam - olive (1 1/4 w of hook gap)
underbody	pale green dubbing
legs	ginger or honey dun saddle (1 1/2 w of hook gap)



Deer Hair Mouse

Hook	#8 3XL D2220
thread	3/0 black
tail	fine leather
body	deer hair
whiskers	moose mane



Week 4 Kopper Kaddis w/a Kicker

Hook	D 1251 Glass Bead Hook
Weight	Brass bead to suit hook
Tail/Wingcase	Antron Yarn, Awesome Hair, Krystal Flash
Body	Two colors of wire
Thorax	Peacock Herl
Legs	Hen Hackle (on larger sizes)



Sparkle Caddis Pupa

Hook	D1560-12 WET
thread	6/0 primrose
body	green dubbing
wing	gold antron
hackle	partridge barbs
head	green dubbing



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Week 5 Terrestrials

a) Ants

Hook	D1180 #14
thread	6/0 black
body	fine black dubbing
wing	post - orange antron
hackle	black



b) Beetles

Hook	D1180 #14
thread	6/0 black
body	peacock herl
shell	orange foam
hackle	black



c) Hopper

Hook	D1280 #12
thread	6/0 primrose
body	yellow dubbing
wing	turkey quill
hackle	deer hair



d) Cricket

Hook	D1280 #12
thread	6/0 black
body	black dubbing
wing	black goose quill
hackle	black deer hair



Week 6 Midges

a) Quill Midge

Hook	D1100 #18
thread	8/0 black
body	quill from grizzly hackle
thorax	fine grey dubbing
hackle	grizzly



b) Grey Hackle Peacock

Hook	D1100 #18
thread	8/0 black
body	peacock herl
tail	3 or 4 grizzly hackle barbs
hackle	grizzly



c) Brassie

Hook	M3906B
thread	8/0 black
body	copper wire
thorax	peacock herl



d) ICSI Midge

Hook	D1300 #18
thread	8/0 black
body	black dubbing
post	orange Antron
hackle	grizzly

