

# Grey Ghost



## Materials

Hook: 6x-8x Streamer Hooks Sizes 2-12. Smaller streamer hooks can also be used. Mostly I have used Mustad hooks.

Thread: Traditional is black, but I have used dark grey. I use 6/0 thread.

Body: Golden Yellow Floss

Rib: Flat silver tinsel. Mylar is fine.

Throat: 4-5 peacock herl strands under hook shank and close to body. Sparse white bucktail over that. Short golden pheasant crest over the bucktail.

Wing: Underwing: Golden Pheasant Crest the whole length of body.

Overwing: 4 Grey saddle hackles longer in length than the hook shank.

Shoulder: Silver Pheasant Body Feather about 1/3 length of the body.

Cheek: Jungle Cock Eye

Start by tying on thread about 1/4" from the eye and going back almost to the bend in the hook shank. Tie on enough floss for the body. Tie on a short piece of tinsel with the gold side up if you are using double colored tinsel. Wind your thread up to 1/4" from hook eye.

Make consecutive wraps of the floss until you reach where your thread is. Tie off the floss using 3 thread wraps. Cut off excess floss. Wrap tinsel so the silver side shows making sure you allow alternate spaces of floss to show. Tie off the tinsel where you tied off the floss using 3 wraps. Cut off the excess tinsel.

Take 4-5 strands of peacock herl to the right of the body where you have that 1/4" of shank open and tie it in using 4-5 tight turns of thread. Trim excess herl. Tie in a sparse bunch of white bucktail on top of the herl using at least 4 wraps of thread. Trim bucktail. Take small bunch of curving golden pheasant feathers, and tie them on top of the bucktail. Secure with 4-5 wraps of thread. All materials for the throat should sweep below the hook.

Tie in a long piece of golden pheasant on top of the hook the length of the body. Take 4 grey

saddle hackles and cut off the lower fuzzy part of the feather. Size the 4 hackles so they will lay 1/2-1" beyond the hook. Tie these in so they ride above the golden pheasant feather. Try to get 2 hackles on one side of the hook and 2 hackles on the other side of the hook. At least have both sides of the hook shank enclosed in feathers.

Cut a silver pheasant feather so it approximately 1/3 the length of the body. You will need to strip feathers on either side of the quill to get a balanced look. Tie this feather in by its quill on one side of the hook just before the hook eye.

Pick a jungle cock eye that is balanced in size to the silver pheasant feather. Strip off all the feathers from jungle eye. Tie the jungle cock eye on top of the silver pheasant feather by its stem close to the hook eye. Make sure you have trimmed the underwing feathers where you tied them in, as well as the stems of the saddle hackles, and the stem of the silver pheasant feather and the stems of the jungle cock. Rotate your vise so you can tie on a jungle cock eye on the other side of the fly. Trim the stem.

Wind the thread to create a head. Whip finish, cut the thread and then lacquer the head. Let dry.

Use whenever a streamer is needed.