

WD 40 Nymph

A simple and effective nymph all year; A dry emerger when baetis are hatching.



- Hook: Sizes 16-22
TMC 2487 or Mustad 7048 (fine wire, 2X-wide, 2X-short) for emerger/shallow water
TMC 2457 or Mustad 4009/7045/70125 (2X-heavy, 2X-wide, 2X-short)
or equivalent
- Bead: Optional
- Thread: 70 Denier or equivalent. Olive, Gray, or Brown, Black, even red
(more of a midge)
- Tail/Wingcase: Mallard Tail (preferred) or Flank Feather
- Thorax: Dubbing - hare's mask/rabbit dubbing olive, chocolate brown, black, even red
(more of a midge) d

Instructions:

1. Put optional bead on hook
2. Tie in tail of 8-10 mallard fibers, with even tips extending $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 hook gap in length
3. Wrap thread over remainder of mallard feather covering $\frac{3}{4}$ ths of shank
4. Fold mallard feathers back and slightly anchor with thread
5. Apply 'bulb' of dubbing behind eye (bead)
6. Fold mallard feathers over dubbing to form wing case, anchor with thread
7. Form small head with thread and whip finish
8. Apply head cement

See: <https://flyfishsd.com/collections/wd40-fly-tying-video-and-materials?srsId=AfmBOopDo8wES1VOrSnNqV-MSX-kkKVELxryHsFv3LTL4cQExLcXvvB>