

Tying Bench – St. Johns River Sinker by John Adams



Bass and bream candy for our Hillsborough outing

A John Adams fly and instructions. Adams says:

"Trust me; this fly works."

Ken Hofmeister spotted this winner:

Since John wouldn't name this fly--I did. It could, of course, refer to the St. Johns River where it was tied and where it has been deadly on bluegill and bass. Or, it could refer to the Saint named John who taught me to tie it. I'd go with the River version and give John Adams credit for introducing this pattern to Suncoast anglers.

Materials

Hook: Any short shank, sized 14 to 6
Thread: 210 denier waxed thread, any color
Weight: .025 or .030 lead wire
Tail: Rubber legs
Body: Thin chenille, any color

Tying Sequence

Step 1: Cut a strip of rubber legs in half and fold. Wrap in place at bend of hook.



Step 2: Wrap hook shank with six turns of lead wire.



Step 3: Tie thin chenille at bend of hook and wrap to hook eye.



Step 4: Tie in more rubber legs at hook eye. Legs should extend from eye past tip of hook



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