

## Bill Scarola: Popovic's Surf Candy



I tied this pattern in New Jersey before I moved to Florida and caught bluefish, and weakfish and fluke (aka flounder for you south folk!). I usually tie this fly green over white with some thin and thicker body materials:



NOTE: This pattern can be tied with various colors, singular or in combos.

### Materials

Glue: UV epoxy. The thick type works best

Body: White bucktail, & other of your choosing

Body: Peacock herl

Flash: Gold Flashabou

Eyes: Stick-on holographic, size 4.5-5mm

Thread: Flat waxed white, or colors to match your materials

Red marker

Hook: 3407, or stingers in sizes 1,1/0,2 or 2/0 or even larger for larger fliess

### Sequence

Note 1: All materials are tied in from just behind the hook eye!

Note 2: By adding more material and epoxy you can make this fly thicker and/or longer with hooks 4/0 - 5/0

Note 3: Making this pattern with a combination of colors can imitate many bait fish. For example, adding olive green bucktail over the white, or gray bucktail over white. Also, varying the thickness of the pattern, can expand your fish catching skills! MIX AND MATCH IT UP!!! Have fun.

Step 1: Wrap hook shank half way from hook eye.

Step 2: Add a match stick thick clump of white bucktail. about 3X hook length or 3-4" in all.

Step 3: Tie in 4-5 strands of gold flash on each side.

Step 4: Add 4-5 strands of Peacock herl on top of the bucktail and tie off the thread. Same length as above.

Step 5: First, apply a thin layer of UV epoxy forming a 'bullet', shaped head approximately one-half inch long, or half of the hook's length. Cure with UV light

Step 6: Add your eyes. If desired, use your red marker to mark gill slits just behind the eyes then apply a second coat of epoxy covering the eyes and all the first coat and cure.

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