

## Smitty's Fly Box: Lefty's Bonefish Fly



Tied in larger sizes Lefty's bonefish fly is also great for catching redfish and snook.

*Smitty*



### Materials:

Hook: Mustad 34007 size #2 to #6 (Daiichi 2546 or Tiemco 811S)

Thread: Danville's Flatwaxed Nylon Tan (and Pink for "nose")

Weight: Barbell eyes size small to mini (use according to hook size)

Tail: Badger hair \*See **NOTE**

Body: Badger hair \*See **NOTE**

Flash: Tiewell Sparkle Flash Metallic Rainbow

Wing: Badger hair \*See **NOTE**

Cement: SHHAN (Sally Hansen Hard as Nails) or your favorite head cement

Overcoat: Solarez UV Resin

### NOTES:

*All badger hair should be sized appropriate to the size of the hook.*

### Tying Sequence:

1. Attach barbell eyes at one third mark behind hook eye and secure with a series of figure of eight wraps. Cement in place with SHHAN.

2. Trim three small bunches of badger hair from skin and thin out most of the underfur. Add a drop of SHHAN to the cut end of each bunch. Set two of the bunches aside. Take the third bunch measure to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " behind hook bend and attach butt ends in front of the barbell eyes, secure with six or seven thread wraps in front of eyes and two wraps directly behind the eyes. Return thread to in front of the eyes and rotate fly 180 degrees (for rotary vise) or re-adjust fly if you have a standard vise.

3. Attach a second bunch of badger to hook shank in front of barbell eyes. (Be sure to measure, trim and re-cement so this piece of badger is the same length as the first.)

4. Wrap a half a dozen strands of flash material around your standing thread and tie in on top of the badger hair. Trim flash to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " longer than badger hair on larger flies or  $\frac{3}{8}$ " on smaller flies.

5. Measure, trim and cement the third piece of badger hair and tie it in front of barbell eyes as you did on the second piece. Whip finish and trim excess thread.

6. Attach Pink flatwaxed nylon. Wrap a smooth head, whip finish and trim excess thread.

7. Coat "Pink" thread wraps with UV Resin and cure with UV light.