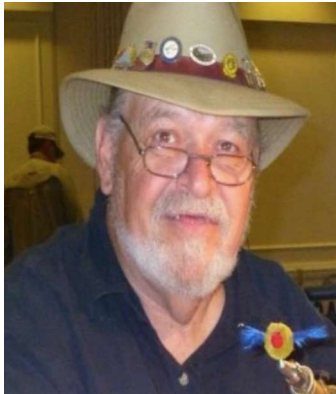


## Smitty's Fly Box: Sand Flea



Fish this sand crab (sand flea) in the surf casting into the waves casting parallel to the beach. Also, work the fly through troughs and holes, Keep a tight line.

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*Smitty's Sand Flea*

### Materials:

Hook: Mustad 3407 2-8 (2 & 4 Most Popular Sizes)  
Thread: Danville Flat Wax Nylon -- Olive  
Shell Back: Natural Deer Hair (Needs to be at least 2" long)  
Egg Sack: Hot Orange Chenille, medium  
Legs: Sili-legs Marked Grizzly  
Body: Gray chenille, medium  
Beard: Root beer/Brown Sparkle Krystal Flash  
Shellback Coat: UV Resin

### Tying Sequence

- Step 1:** Stack deer hair in stacker (tips first) and then trim butt ends even.
- Step 2:** Tie in deer hair by the butt ends (tips should be extending to the rear).
- Step 3:** Tie in orange chenille and cover tied in portion of deer hair with three wraps of chenille. Cut off excess.
- Step 4:** Tie in a pair of legs with figure-eight wraps so they extend to either side. Trim off in proportion to hook size (should extend past hook bend about 1/2 to 3/4 of an inch). Over-wrap legs to make them extend backwards past hook bend.
- Step 5:** Tie in grey chenille and wrap to just behind hook eye (leave sufficient gap to tie a neat head). Cut off excess chenille.
- Step 6:** Tie in Krystal Flash in beard position and trim to half body length.
- Step 7:** Fold deer hair over body to create a tightly formed shellback. Tie off firmly and trim.
- Step 8:** Form a neat head with thread wraps. Trim thread and overcoat head and shellback with UV resin. Harden with UV light or set out in sunlight for 20 or 30 minutes till hardened.

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