

Smitty's Fly Box: Split Tail Clouser



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This is a good redfish version of the Clouser.

I like to tie it all white for docklight or beach fishing for snook.

You may substitute Finn Raccoon for the Arctic Fox wing as well.



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Materials

Hook: Saltwater streamer hook size 8 - 6
Thread: Flat waxed nylon (choice of color to match)
Eyes: Lead barbell (size your choice, I use small, or medium for deep or fast current)
Tail : Red or Orange Arctic Fox hair and Red or Orange Badger neck hackle
Body: SLF Dave Whitlock Minnow Belly Dubbing (or favorite dubbing with flash)
Wing: Red or Orange Arctic Fox hair
Flash: Krystal Flash
Finish: Solarez UV Resin



The more the merrier

Tying Sequence

- 1: Lay down thread base to cover hook finish at one third shank position.
- 2: Tie in lead barbell eyes securely.
- 3: Tie in a small amount of Arctic Fox Hair.
- 4: Tie in a pair of Badger neck hackle, make sure they splay outwards.
- 5: Prepare a dubbing loop and dub in the SLF Minnow Belly dubbing.
- 6: Spin in the dubbing to create a belly.
- 7: Brush the dubbing.
- 8: Tie in the Krystal Flash at the side.
- 9: Tie in another bunch of Arctic Fox Hair as wing, trim the extra.
- 10: Tie in some Krystal Flash on top of the Arctic Fox Hair
- 11: Whip finish and apply the UV Resin to coat thread head wraps.