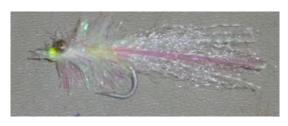
Tying Bench - Grassett's Snook Minnow, by Capt. Rick Grassett

Rick writes, "I developed this fly, also known as Grassett's Snook Minnow, mainly for snook



fishing around lighted docks and bridge fenders I have also used it successfully for false albacore, Spanish mackerel, bluefish, trout and ladyfish. It is sort of ½ shrimp and ½ glass minnow with some weight to get it down in a fast current.

NOTE: Grassett Snook Minnow is also available at Orvis.

Materials

Hook Mustad 34007 hook sized 2, 4 and 6. (Rick usually ties it with #4)

Eyes Medium bead chain eyes (other options are small bead chain eyes for # 6 hook or x-tra small 1/50 oz. lead eyes for # 2 hook)

Thread Chartreuse thread

Body Polar Bear or white EP (Enrico Puglisi) Fiber, Pearl or Night Glow Flashabou, White or Pearl Estaz or Ice Chenille (Medium size)



Weed guard optional 20# Hard Mason mono

Tying Instructions

- 1) Tie bead chain eyes on top of hook just behind the eye of the hook. Lead eyes should be tied on the bottom. Lead eyes are used in very fast currents or following cold snaps when fish may be deeper. This fly rides hook down and lead eyes tied on top will turn it on its side.
- 2) Wrap thread back to bend of the hook.
- 3) Tie on 6 or 8 strands of Flashabou for the tail, kind of sparse. Tail should be about 1-inch long (total length of fly will be 2 inches.).
- 4) Tie in Estaz or Ice Chenille at base of tail and wrap forward to just behind eyes. Tie off.
- 4) Add weed guard of 20# Hard Mason mono (if desired). Cut about 2" long, flatten ends and twist ½ turn before tying each end on sides of head. Then cut to the proper length so it extends just past the point of the hook.
- 5) Finish fly by making the head of the fly and coat with Flexament.

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