

# Hybrid Baby Craw

by Suri

The June 2018 Fly of the Month comes to us from Suresh Venugopal. Suresh is an active fly fisher, so any fly that has his attention is sure to be a winner. I hear it's had lots of field testing by both Suresh and other club members.

## Materials:

Hook: Carp Hook (Size 4 to 6) Gamakatsu and Allen hooks

Thread: 70 Denier, Olive

Tail: Pheasant Tail, Natural

Body: Dubbing, Cohen Carp, Hareline Hare and FlyTyer Brown Crab dubbing

Eye: X large Bead Chain eye or Small



## Pattern Synopsis:

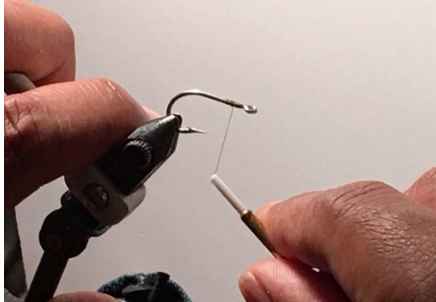
This pattern was created to replicate baby craw fish, which is one of the main food source for Carp and Buffalo!

This pattern can be tied with various colours to replicate conditions. I have tested this fly and been productive on Buffalo!

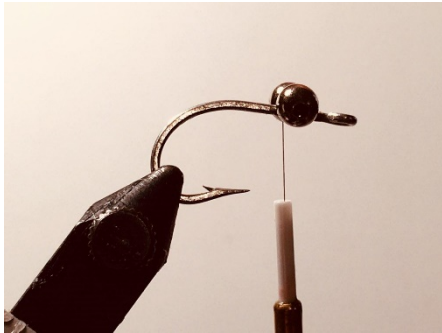
The key is teasing all the dubbing to be buggy, so it has a great angulated motion in the water to attract the fresh water Bone fish.

## Step By Step Instructions:

Attach the thread behind the hook eye and create a base



Tie in a bead chain eye, behind one hook eye length using the figure eight method. Use super glue to secure the eye



Cut few Pheasant tail fibers and, tie in the tail in mid-section of the bend of the hook. Half the hook shank length for tail



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Move the thread forward to the eye, get another clump of Pheasant tail fibers. Measure the one shank length to create the Claw.



Tie in the thinner section of the pheasant tail closer to the head and start wrapping the thread to bend of hook to secure the fibers.

Split the fibers in two half to create a split tail and then using a figure eight tying method, to hold the shape of split tail



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Blend the mixture of various dubbing as listed above and set it aside

With the thread by the tail, create a 4.5" dubbing loop and attach the loop to a dubbing spinner, wax the thread



Insert the elongated dubbing mixture into loop sparsely about 2.5" in length, twist the dubbing spinner to create a spikey looking dubbing rope. Tease all fibers/Legs which are caught inside the rope.

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Start wrapping the dubbing loop from the tail forward to the eye. Wrap the rope around the bead chain eye to form a nice buggy head



Use a Velcro stick or bodkin to tease all the fibers/legs around the body/head to expose a buggy look



## **Fishing Method:**

Key is long leader with 12 lb. fluorocarbon tippet and clear water. Cast the fly gently in the feed zone and trigger very slight variation of the bug movements in the water. When the fish takes the Baby craw, set the hook. Tight Line and have fun!

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