

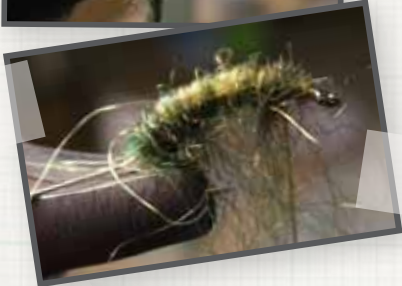
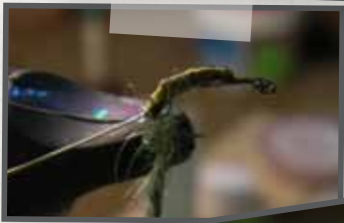
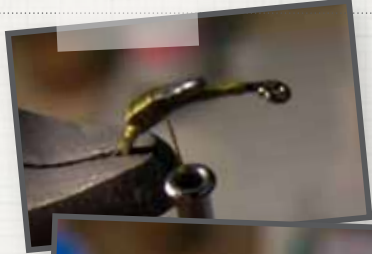
## SCUD [Tied by Lorie Hagen]

Scuds are key components to a Trout's diet. They are found in weedy streams and stillwaters. This is a very effective and easy to tie scud. You want to make sure to have a few scuds in your fly box for early spring fishing. Other great colors are: olive, brown, tan, gray, orange, rainbow and believe it or not even pink. For shallow waters, tie your scuds without the lead underbody.

» Mohair Plus also works great in place of Dazzle. «

### TYING MATERIALS:

Hook: Larva Lace 135 Scud Hook - Size 10-20  
 Thread: Flymaster Plus - Olive 140 Denier  
 Underbody: Larva Lace Lead  
 Body: Dazzle Dubbing - Lt. Olive  
 Overbody: Teazer Tinsel - Iridescent  
 Rib: Colored Copper Wire - Gold 32 Gage  
 Vice: Hagen's Deluxe Fly Vice



« **Step 1.** For smaller flies, I like to cut my lead in 1/2 length wise. Lay down a bed of thread. Tie in your lead over the middle 3/5 of the shank. Making sure to have a nice thread base that covers the lead. Wrap thread to just past the bend of the hook.

« **Step 2.** Cut a 2" strip of teaser tinsel and trim the end to a point and tie in. It should lay flat on your vice. Then tie in your gold wire and bring your thread back to where you ended with your lead.

« **Step 3.** Pull out 3-4" of your thread from your bobbin and apply wax. Tease out loose spare pinch of Dazzle Dubbing. Press against your thread. With your thumb and forefinger twist the dubbing onto your thread. Rolling in one direction only. Repeat to form a smooth, continuous yarn. (Loose fibers spin more easily; thick clump of material don't adhere to the thread very well and often make lumpy, uneven bodies. Keep it sparse; you can always add more.)

« **Step 4.** Now wrap the thread back to where you tied in your teaser tinsel. Wrap your dubbing body forward in tight, adjacent turns. You can add additional dubbing as you go. Wrap your dubbing body to just past the lead. Pull any excess dubbing from your thread. Place a couple of thread wraps against the front edge of the dubbing. I like to place a half hitch here.

« **Step 5.** Use a dubbing teaser to brush out the dubbing fibers for legs. With your left hand hold the leg fibers down. With your right hand bring your teaser tinsel forward over the back of your scud. Place a couple of thread wraps over it to keep in place, then cut the excess.

« **Step 6.** Spiral the Gold wire forward to the head of your scud. Tie off and trim excess. Trim legs even with hook point.

*You are now ready to catch some fish!*

The materials used to tie this fly can be found at:  
[www.unexcelledfishing.com](http://www.unexcelledfishing.com) or [hagensfish.com](http://hagensfish.com)

