



## “RENEGADE”

September 2010 Fly of the Month

Tied and photographed  
By *John Daniels*

Originator: Taylor Williams

The Renegade is a venerable pattern that you will not find in many fly shop fly bins, but is still a versatile effective pattern that can be tied wet or dry, and has been used to catch everything from trout to steelhead. The pattern tied here is the dry fly version, but it can be dragged under and fished wet, or even tied with a bead head and fished like a nymph. An easy pattern to tie, give this one a try and I am sure you will be pleasantly surprised by the results.

### Tying Instructions

#### MATERIALS

**HOOK:** TMC 3761, 10—16

**THREAD:** Black

**BEAD HEAD:** Brite Beads, 7/ 64” Black Nickel

**TAIL:** Dark Olive Marabou (Jay Fair’s)

**FLASH:** Dark Olive Marabou (Jay Fair’s)

**BODY (First Half):** Ice Dub, Caddis Olive

**BODY (Second Half):** Peacock Herl

**(PHOTO 1)** Dress the hook and tie in the tinsel, just before the bend of the hook. If using double-sided tinsel, be sure to tie gold side down. Wrap the tag back down the bend a bit, and then back again before securing with thread.



Photo 1

**(PHOTO 2)** Tie in brown hackle, and palmer around the hook. Number of wraps depends on taste and the type of water you plan on fishing. Faster water is going to need more wraps, whereas technical slower water might call for fewer.



Photo 2



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**(PHOTO 3)** Tie in 2-3 strands of peacock herl, and palmer forward to about  $\frac{1}{4}$  shank length from the eye, making sure you leave room for the collar. You can reinforce the herl if you like by: wrapping the herl around the thread before palmering, putting the herl in a dubbing loop, or using a rib of x-small gold wire as a rib (called for in original pattern).

Photo 3



**(PHOTO 4)** Tie in white hackle, palmer toward eye, tie off and trim remainder. Whip finish at the eye and treat with water-proofing product such as Watershed and let dry over night. Fish as you would any conventional dry, although sometimes adding a little action instead of just dead drifting will produce.

Photo 4



See you on the stream.

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