Devin Olsen's Tungsten Taco Egg Fly

It's getting to the time of year when eggs really start to produce quality fish. Tying a good looking, durable egg fly that casts well, sinks well, and hooks fish well has always been an issue. Leave it to a competitive fly fisher to engineer a proper egg fly. Devin Olsen uses a jig hook, Eggstasy egg chenille, and a tungsten bead to make a compact, realistic, and effective egg pattern that sinks well, lifts well, and hooks and holds fish.

Materials

• Hook: Your favorite jig hook – My favorite: Orientsun 5240 Heavy wire

• Bead: 2.3 – 3.8mm Slotted Tungsten

• Thread: Veevus 14/0 Red

• Chenille: Flybox Eggstacy egg yarn

Tying Steps

- Put bead on hook and secure hook in vise. Slide bead down to hook bend and start thread at hook eye bend. Build a thread bump two or three eye lengths behind the eye bend. There should be enough room to make a couple of wraps of chenille between the bead and the hook eye.
- 2. Add some super glue and slide the bead up over the bump. Make several crossing wraps over the bead to secure it in place.
- 3. Strip back the chenille to reveal the thread core and tie in in front of the bead.
- 4. Wet the chenille and stroke it back toward the bead. Make two or three touching wraps and tie off with thread wraps. Trim excess.
- 5. Brush the chenille material back over the bead and trim to length.

For more tying instructions, check out Devin's video on his Tactical Fly Fisher website. You can also buy all the stuff you need to tie this fly.

