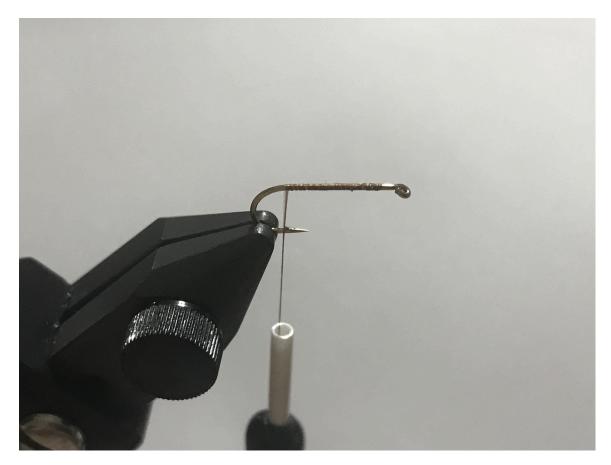
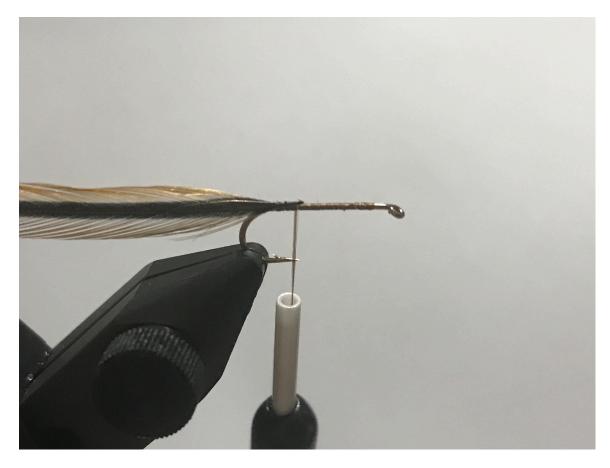
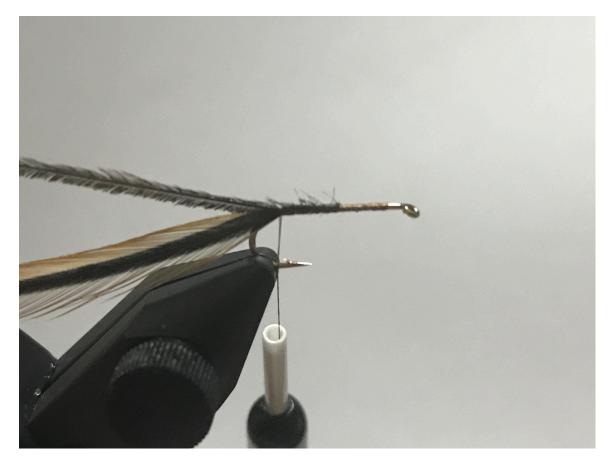
How to tie the crackleback...the right way.



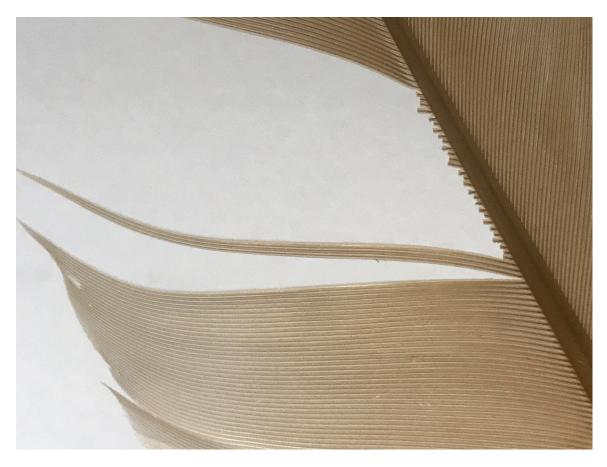
Start thread, run back to bend.



Pinch hackle feather and tie in on near side of hook. Underside toward you. Butt end about even with hook point. Don't strip the stem any. The pinched fibers should be nearer to the tyer than the feather stem.



Tie in peacock herl on top of the hook so that the butt end is on the hook, and the longer "top" barbules point down and sweep away from the hook. Butt end should be another 1/8 inch up the shank from the butt of the hackle feather



Separate three barbules from the Turkey round and trim them off.



Tie in the Turkey round by the tips on top of the hook. be sure the underside of the barbules (stem side) is facing up. Advance thread.



Wrap the Turkey round barbules in touching wraps up the shank (stem side should lay on hook, forms a smooth, even body), tie off at eye, cut off excess.

I failed to photograph this step.

Fold the peacock herl over the fly and tie off. Barbules should orient sweeping forward and up.



Palmer the hackle forward, 5 wraps, underside of the hackle facing forward. This orients the hackle for optimum sighting by fish and fisherman. It also provides the characteristic sweep forward. Tie off with two 3-4 turn whip finishes. If you finesse it you can tie in without binding any barbules.

I tie on a rotary vice. I only use that function to wrap the Turkey round. I have two extra rotary vices if someone wants to borrow one.

If you have questions, feel free to reach out to me.

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