

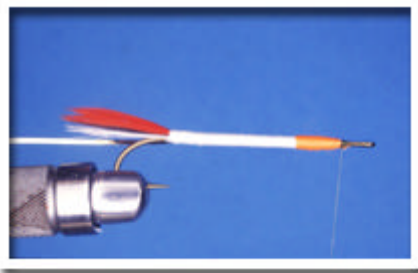
Lew Oatman's Baby Brook Trout

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Here's another pattern originated by Lew Oatman; his Baby Brook Trout. It has just about the most captivating beauty of any streamer fly I've ever seen. While not technically difficult to tie, there is a fair amount of work involved.

Here's the dressing:

Hook	Streamer, here, the Daiichi model 2370.
Tail	A very small bunch of white hackle, over which is a very small bunch of black hackle, over which is a larger bunch of rich orange hackle, equal to the black and white together.
Body	The first 3/4 is white floss, the final 1/4 salmon pink floss (see notes below).
Ribbing	Medium flat gold tinsel.
Throat	The same as the tail.
Wing	Four olive-green hackles, the two outermost of which are painted with alternating yellow and scarlet dots, three of each along the quill.
Cheeks	Jungle cock, short and small.
Head	Olive green, painted white underneath.



Step 1. Rather than the original body materials, I use white Uni-Stretch bobbin-mounted, and hot pink Uni-Stretch for the front part.



Step 2. I then switch to olive thread for the rest of the fly.



Step 3. For the red and yellow spots, I'm using a water-base acrylic paint called Delta Ceramcoat that I bought in a craft store. Its viscosity makes the dotting very easy, as it stays where it's put. My tool is a round toothpick, cut in half.

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This pattern and two others of Oatman's appeared in a recent issue of *Fly Tyer Magazine* in greater detail.

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