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Barbell Marabon Tube A fly by Steve Esse

I've been spending the New Year playing at the vise with some interesting bottle tubes ...Here is my latest ... I like it because it shows how varied you can be with tube tying ...Tying behind the tube, on the tube body and in front of the tube. All the possibilities. I also like the way there is lots of flash under the feathers, a light to darker progression from the back to front of the tube.

The junction tube with the liner allows me to use either an up or ring eye hook and have it snug in the liner or hanging back a bit in a kreh loop. (The liner will stop the knot from pulling up).

Tube: Silver Barbell tube – 15mm

Junction tubing: Transparent Blue

Butt: Blue Polar chenille tied over junction tubing

Mid: Blue Marabou tied in a dubbing loop

Front: Blue and Black Marabou blended and spun in a dubbing loop.

Hackle: Blue Doctor Lady Amherst spun in a dubbing loop

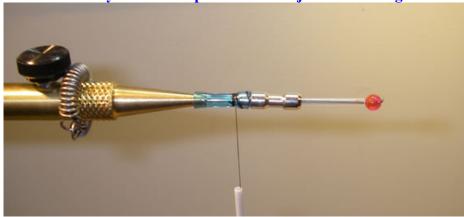
Collar: Blue Doctor Guinea

Cone: Blue Aluminum Cone bored out to fit over liner tube.

Raw Tubes



Assemble Tubes – Junction tube has been jammed up onto the rear taper of the tube. Liner tube extends 3 mm behind rear of barbell tube and joined with Junction tube by thread wrap over front of junction tubing.



Wrap on polar chenille over front of junction tubing.



Spin Marabou in dubbing loop over thin middle part of tube.



Spin a Mixture of Blue and Black Marabou on the front liner tube.



Spin Blue Lady Amherst in a Dubbing Loop.



Add Guinea



Prepare Cone



Add Cone and melt liner tube for security - Finished Fly



BTW ... the vise used in tying is a Norvise with the new Tube Conversion. The taper on the cone allows a junction tube to slip over it and hold things securely. You can also "unscrew the cone collet" and compress the tube between it and the bead to prevent twist and hold the tube securely.

I used the old tube conversion to hold the drill bit and make the hole bigger on the aluminum tube to fit over the liner tube. The vise is so smooth you can use it as a drill!

Thanks for looking.

Steve Egge, Sanuary 2009