

Dave's Hopper



Difficulty: Hard

Hook: 2x or 3x, long – size 6-14

Thread: brown 70 denier

Tail: red dyed deer hair

Ribbing Hackle: brown

Body: yellow yarn

Underwing: pale yellow-dyed deer hair

Wing: mottled turkey wing or tail feather section

Legs: yellow dyed grizzly hackle stems, knotted

Collar: tips of deer-hair head fibers

Head: deer hair

Tom Sewruck, 30+ year MFFC member, will be tying Dave Whitlock's hopper pattern as featured member tyer in February.

Find the history of the hopper as a fly here: <https://www.amff.org/history-of-the-hopper/>

(The above link includes a link to *The American Fly Fisher* journal with a "Grasshopper" history.)

According to the American Museum of Fly Fishing, the 1950's brought about the Letort Hopper, Michigan Hopper, and Dave's Hopper - which is a combination of the prior two.

Want Video? Try Charlie Craven's video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q6ECpx5-Ss>