

FLY OF THE MONTH

Norb Spitzer's Midgee

Hook: Straight eye TMC 100, size 18, 20 and 22
Thread: White 8/0
Rib: Black 8/0
Post: Rainey's white foam posts
Hackle: Grizzly rooster saddle or neck



I do have one pattern that has been an absolute killer both here and in Colorado. It is tied slightly different from the Brook's Sprout series so I thought I would share it with you.

On the Taylor River one evening It took two three pound browns on almost successive casts from the same eddy. Last year on the San Juan, I fished it successfully every day starting as soon as the fish started taking midges in the film. One evening I took five or six fish in close proximity to two guys who were fishless. I broke one good fish off, re-tied, then re-

captured the recently escaped fish and recovered my other fly.

After all the bragging, I ought to tell you about the fly: It is tied on a standard straight-shank hook like a Tiemco 101. #18 and #20. I think I even did some #22s. No shuck.

The body is white thread ribbed with black thread. Hackle is grizzly tied normally, all behind the post. When fishing it, you carefully apply floatant only to the hackle, or better yet no floatant at all. If all works out, the fly will be suspended vertically in the film with the body hanging straight down. 

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DIRECTIONS--

Take Interstate 8 to Lake Murray Boulevard. Go north on Lake Murray Boulevard to Kiowa Drive. Turn left and look for people casting just as you enter the park. That's our bunch.

