

## Bob's Bass Banger

This is a very good way to make any popper for fresh or saltwater. This tying method was developed by Bob Popovics, probably the most innovative fly tyer in the world today. He called the tying procedure "Bob's Banger".

### Materials:

**Hook** – Gamakatsu B10 S

**Thread** – Flat Waxed Nylon

**Tail** – Marabou and Krystal Flash

**Body** – Sparkleflash Chenille 10mm

**Head** – Popper Foam

### **Step 1**

Lay a bed of thread on the shank of the hook. Take a Marabou Blood feather and tie it into the rear tie in point. Tie in a couple of strands of Krystal Flash on top of the Marabou. The Marabou tail should be no longer than the hook length.

### **Step 2**

Tie in the Sparkleflash Chenille and add two tight wraps forward. Tie off and glue all the thread covering the hook shank with head cement. You should have at least ½ the hook shank left clear to fit the popper head.

### **Step 3**

Cut a small length of solid tubular foam the diameter of which should suit the size of the hook gap. You don't want to encroach on the hook gape otherwise it'll be very hard to get the point of the hook to penetrate.



Make a hole straight through the centre of the tubular foam with a dubbing needle heated with a lighter.

Coat the shank of the hook with Zapo Foam Safe glue and slide the popper head into place.

#### **Step 4**

Take a small darning needle and poke a hole through the foam head and pull a couple of rubber legs through. This will give the fly added action while it is stationary floating on the water.

