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Just finished reading The Soft Hackled Fly by Sylvester Nemes. Interesting book, but alot of the materials for the fly patterns I can't seem to locate, (i.e. woodcock wings).

Feather-craft on their site even had a warning about purchasing some of these odd feathers from other sellers because of Federal violation of the Migratory Bird Act.

Blue Ribbon Flies advertises various soft hackle feathers, I e-mailed them about this hoping they would verify that the materials were legal, they never responded.

Just wondering what other tiers are doing in the soft hackle realm. You can't substitute patridge and hen hackle for every thing LOL.

Maybe Feather-craft is wrong. 🙄