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afishinado wrote:

The dark hendrickson is pattern that has been tied for many years, and I've never really understood why it is gray. It may work, like many other fly patterns, the exact color is seldom important.

A Catskill tie that sits high on the water would be my last choice as a style of fly to use during a hendrickson hatch.

They're grey because the fly (pattern) is named for Albert Hendrickson, not for the insect that happens to resemble the light version. The insects were named later.

The Dark Hendrickson, besides being a good all-round fly like the Adams, is a pretty good imitation of a Quill Gordon, and tied smaller, of the Blue Quill. The wet version is my go-to imitation for little brown stoneflies.

I've caught hundreds of trout during late March/early April on the traditional Catskill version of the dry. It's a fly well worth carrying.