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Sas, I had used photo bucket, and i did mean Marabou not hackle. LOL

Your claws are a bit larger and thicker than the ones I had made but just something to think about before tying up a bunch of them.

I found that having the heavy lead eyes near the eye also ensured that the fly kept the hook point up wich is important if you are dredging the bottom. It will sit at a decent angle on the bottom and help reduce snags if you are pausing between strips. I would pick my tip up a bit and strip the line quick to pick up the crayfish and then let off tension to allow it to sink back down, much how people fish soft plastic craws. When you do this the fly will then have its claws pointed up as it sinks back down, in a defensive position. If you use marabou when it is sinking again the marabou will wiggle around a bit. Not like a real crayfish but that movement can help trigger a stike. When you are stripping the crayfish the marabou with be pulled tight an and look more natural, your claws will look natural no matter how you fish the fly and can see why you would be hesitant about using it.