

HOW TO USE A DEER TAIL WHEN TYING CLOUSER MINNOWS

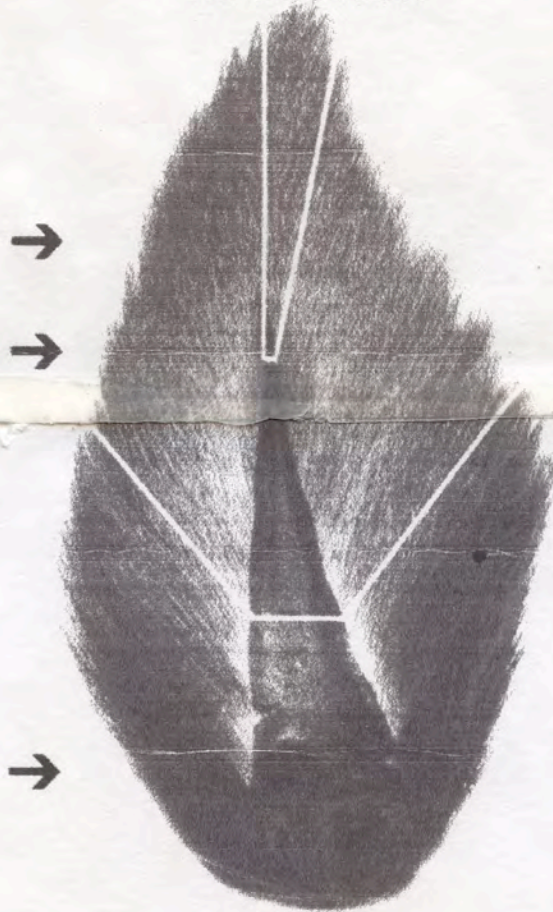
By following these easy instructions of where to select the proper hair from a deer tail, the fly tier should be able to produce high quality and effective Clouser Minnows. Selecting and using the deer tail fibers from the top 2/3rds of the tail will add to the quality of any pattern that calls for deer tail fibers.

THE TIP SECTION - Before using the tip section of the deer tail make sure the tips of the fibers at the top of the tail are not wore flat. On some deer tails the tips are usable and on others they are not.

THE TOP 2/3rd PORTION - This is the prime portion where the fibers from the deer tail are selected and used to tie the Clouser Minnow.

THE LOWER 1/3 PORTION - This portion contains fibers that are hollow and will flair widely when tied on a hook. This portion can be cut away from the main tail and used for applications that call for flared deer hair fibers.

TIP SECTION



Deer tail fibers are a natural substance and as in many natural things there are usually no two tails alike. On the average the largest percentage of deer tails should have prime fibers in the upper 2/3rd. portion. Note: With the deer tail laying flat on the table(as in illustration) select a clump of fibers and lift them upward (vertical) from the skin before cutting them off of the skin.

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