## **POT BELLY PIG**

Hook - Ali or Brass bottle tube
Tail - 6 Wild Boar bristles
Orange Bucktail
Pearl Krystal Flash
Tail Hackle - Orange Cock
Rib - Oval Gold
Body - Orange Antron
Hackle - Black Cock palmered
Eyes - Jungle Cock

Head - Red



Secure the tube in the vice. Tie in the thread and wind down the tube. If it is a Bottle tube it will have a step at the rear where you stop. If it is a straight tube leave 4mm of the tube bare for the hook extension tube.

Tie in the Boar bristles on top of the tube. The tail should be twice the length, or longer if you prefer, of the tube. Arrange them so that they curve upwards and are fanned out, add a drop of superglue to the roots and tie in tightly, trim off the waste at the midpoint. The body should be fatter at the rear and this will help get the shape. On top of these tie in a bunch of Orange Bucktail and the 4-6 strands of Pearl Flash slightly shorter than the Boar bristles. Trim the waste off to a taper at the midpoint. Return the thread to the tail.

Tie in a large Orange Cock hackle by the tip. Double it and wind 6 turns. Tie in and take some turns of thread tight up to the base to ensure that this tail hackle slopes to the rear and trim the waste.

Tie in a length of Gold Oval tinsel and a length of Orange Antron wool and wind the thread to the head. Wind the wool tightly up to the head to form the body, tie in and trim the waste. Tie in a long but fairly short fibred Black Cock hackle by the tip. Palmer the hackle down the body to the tail. Take the Gold tinsel and rib the body back to the eye securing the hackle as you do so. Trim off the waste.

Prepare a pair of Jungle Cock eyes about half of the body length. Tie these in a V shape on top of the tube. Adjust their position and then fold back the butts, tie down tightly and trim off. Form a neat small head and whip finish. Now apply several coats of thin clear varnish to produce a smooth shiny head.

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