

# Diving Hopper



**Step 1:** Lay a bed of thread, tie in Marabou tail and Chenille starting about 1/3 of shank length from eye.



**Step 2:** . Wrap thread back to marabou tail. Wrap chenille back to marabou tail. Tie in last wrap to anchor chenille. Wrap chenille back up to starting point and tie down.



**Step 3:** Cut a piece of closed cell foam forming a triangle with one point coming out as a tab. Size of triangle depends on size of fly. Typically the top of the triangle is  $\frac{1}{2}$  the shank length. Also be sure to clip the top corners to give a better appearance .

Hook: TMC 5212  
Thread: 6/0 or 8/0  
Body: Chenille  
Tail: Marabou  
Collar: Closed cell foam  
Legs: Rubber, round



**Step 4:** Tie in foam making sure to keep it backed tightly up against the chenille. The chenille gives support to the foam. Tightly wrap the thread around the foam starting at the triangle base and up to just behind the eye.



**Step 5:** Tie another piece of chenille in just behind the eye and wrap thread back to base of triangle. Now rap chenille back to base of triangle and tie in with thread. Tie in legs at the base of the triangle and whip finish.