

# Bill's Larva Lace Damsel Nymph

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"June and July bring on the damselfly hatches. The nymphs migrate in great numbers to nearby reeds and lily pads where they crawl out of the water and hatch. The larva lace damsel is a good imitation of this nymph and can be deadly during the migration. Keep a few on hand for the first really hot spell of the spring."



## MATERIALS

**Hook:** Mustad 9671 #12  
**Thread:** Olive monocord  
**Tail:** Pheasant tail fibres  
**Abdomen:** Olive larva lace (small)  
**Rib:** None  
**Thorax:** Olive Chenille  
**Shellback:** None  
**Beard:** None  
**Swimmerets:** Pheasant tail fibres

## TYING STEPS

1. Wrap on tying thread and tie in the tail of 4-5 strands of pheasant tail, about shank length long.
2. Secure the larva lace to the butt and wrap to a point mid-way between the hook point and the eye of the hook. Tie off and cut.
3. Tie in the olive chenille and wrap the chenille to just behind the eye. Tie off and cut leaving enough room to tie in the swimmerets and whip finish.
4. Tie in 4 strands of pheasant tail at the head so that they trail back along the left side of the fly, about shank length. Repeat for the right side. ]
- 5.. Tie off and whip finish the head.