

October Fly Variant:

Cove Pheasant Tail (Nymph)

Hook: #10-14 heavy wire grub hook.

Thread: Black 8/0 Uni-Thread or equivalent

Body: Cock pheasant centre tail

Rib: Fine silver wire

Wing case Thorax Head: Cock pheasant centre tail Rabbit fur or similar.

Whip finish and varnish

Represents large cased caddis. The colour of the pheasant tail can be varied to match the natural insect on any water.



Arthur Cove's early buzzer/nymph pattern has been successful across a wide range of waters. It represents a large midge but is often taken by fish feeding on sedge pupae and small fry. The thorax material and colour of the body can be varied to give many effective combinations.

Note: the original was tied on a #6-12 standard shank hook.