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Baby Ostrich Intruder

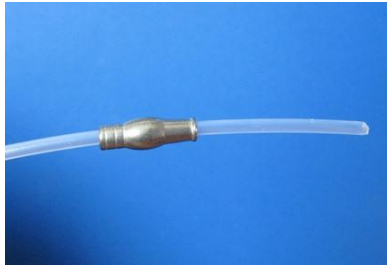
a tube fly by Stuart Anderson



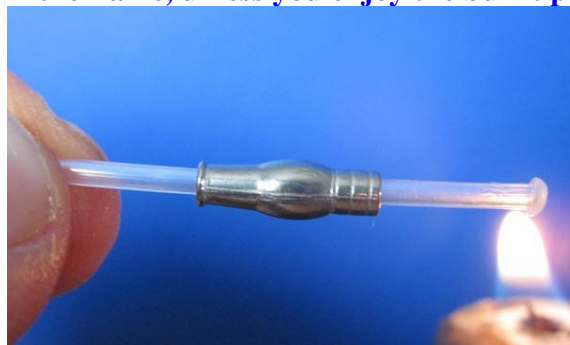
Intruders are now a style of tying in their own right. Countless adaptations are out there of the fantastic original series. I called this one the Baby Intruder because of the “watering down” of many of the steps involved in tying a full version of an Intruder style tube. Anyone who has tied Intruders knows that they are pretty extensive patterns with many steps. This fly takes several of the steps out of the equation and makes a fly that is quicker and easier to create yet still having the look and feel of an “Intruderish” fly.

<u>Tube:</u>	13 mm tungsten bump tube
<u>Junction tubing:</u>	Transparent Purple FlexTube
<u>Tail:</u>	Several strands of pearlescent Crystal Flash as well as several barbs of Hot Pink Lady Amherst Tail. Tie them in as long as possible.
<u>First Hackle:</u>	Extra Large Grizzly Sclappen, dyed Purple.
<u>Second Hackle:</u>	Extra Large Grizzly Sclappen, dyed Pink
<u>Feelers:</u>	Several strands of Purple Flashabou as well as several barbs of Purple Lady Amherst Tail. Tie them in as long as possible.
<u>Final Hackle:</u>	Extra Large Guinea Fowl, dyed Pink.
<u>Cheeks:</u>	Jungle Cock
<u>Head:</u>	Silver Cone

Begin by sliding the Tungsten Bump Tube onto the liner tube. You will want to cut the liner tube about 2 inches long.



Melt the back end of the liner tube next to an open flame.... Do not stick the liner tube directly in the flame, unless you enjoy the burnt plastic smell 😊.



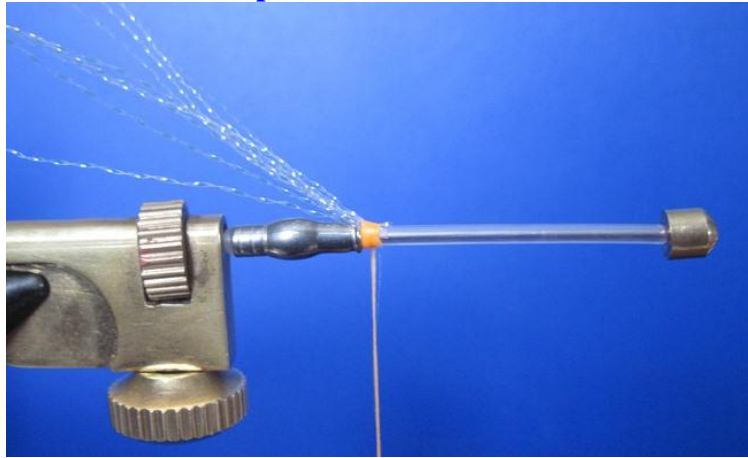
Place your tube onto your vise adapter.



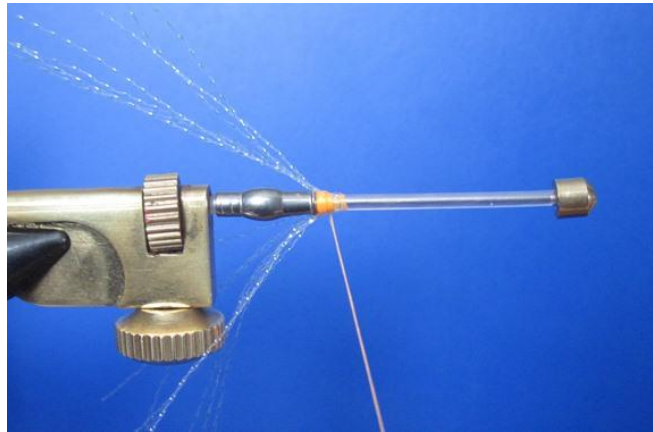
Tie on your thread securely. Make sure the Bump Tube is pushed tight against the back end of the liner tube. Make a few wraps to securely lock the Bump Tube onto the liner.



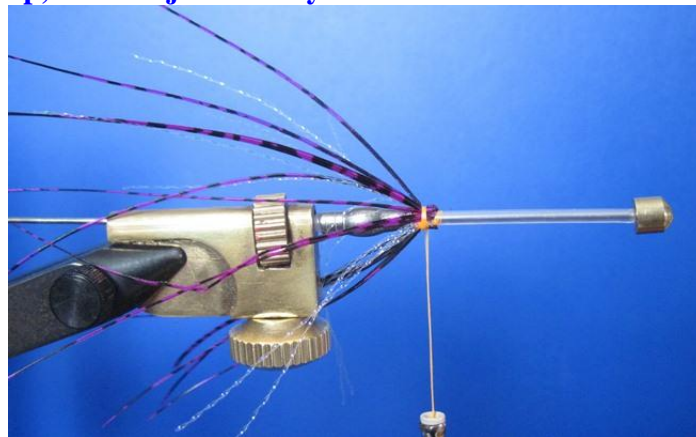
Tie in a few strands of pearlescent Crystal Flash. Tie them in long, at least two inches past the back of the tube.



Tie in a few more on the bottom of the tube.



Tie in a few strands of hot pink Lady Amherst tail fibers. Tie them in around the entire liner tube. Leave them as long as possible. Some prefer to tie them in using a dubbing loop, I find it just as easy to tie them in as 3 or 4 fiber “clumps.”



Tie in a large purple Grizzly Schlappen feather at its base.



Wrap the schlappen forward.



Tie in a large pink Grizzly Schlappen feather at its base.



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Tie in a few strands of purple Lady Amherst tail fibers. Tie them in around the entire liner tube. Leave them as long as possible.



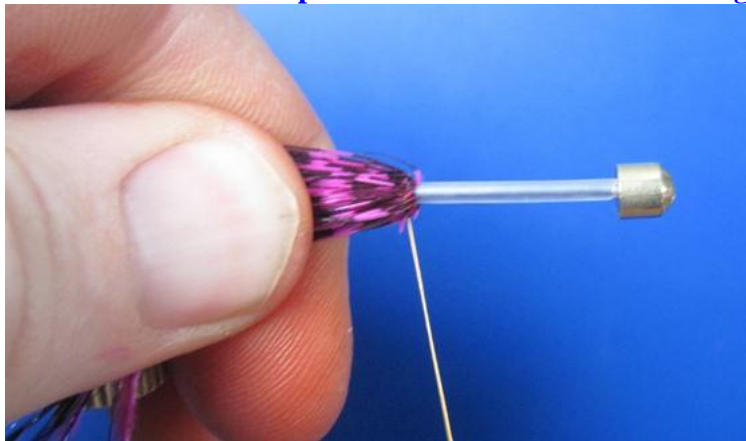
Just like the Amherst, tie in several barbs of pink Ostrich Spey. Tie them in around the tube. Keep them as long as possible. Tie in a few strands of purple Flashabou.



Tie in an extra-large pink Guinea Fowl feather at its tip. Be sure to pull off all the fuzzy fibers at the base of the feather.



Wrap the Guinea Fowl on and pull back all fiber before starting the head.



You do not need a full head since a cone is going to slide on.



Add your Jungle Cock cheeks.



Lacquer the head.



Add a cone and cut the liner tube to within 1/16 of an inch. Melt the end near an open flame.



Slide on the transparent purple FlexTube. I like to have a longer Junction tube that really pushes the hook back from the fly.



As you can see, this version will cut your tying time at least in half when it comes to a regular Intruder. The all-important “buggy” look is still present, as is the extra weight at the head of the fly.

Happy tying
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