

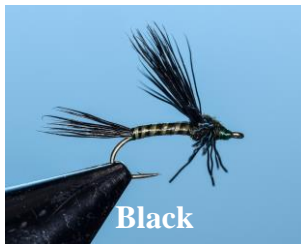
## Adams Dry Fly

An Adams could be the most used dry fly on earth. You'd be hard pressed to find a fly fisherman without this pattern in his fly box. At Dry Fly Innovations we don't offer this pattern for several reasons:

- 1) It's too widely used and most big, smart fish have been introduced to it.
- 2) It's a mayfly pattern that doesn't precisely mimic very many species of mayflies.
- 3) Its design often floats the fly incorrectly. Perfect presentation means the fly floats with the hook down and the wing up. An Adams pattern will often lay on its side giving a smart fish the opportunity to see the hook.

An Adams is used in two different situations. It can be delivered to holding water with no rising fish; in this case it's a searching fly. One could also cast it to a rising fish as a hatch match. The problem is an Adams doesn't perform either of these jobs well. If an Adams is a common tie-on bug for you, let me recommend some replacement patterns that will outperform it hands down.

If there are no rising fish, try one of our Searcher patterns.



Match the color of the Searcher to the most common color of the mayflies that are in the system. You'll be shocked how many fish this pattern will dredge up.

If there are rising fish, it would always be your objective to match the insect on the water. An Adams is not precise enough so try one of our Convertible patterns and match size and color perfectly.



**BWO**



**BWO Thread Body**



**Callibaetis**



**Gray**



**Dark Mahogany**



**Light Mahogany**



**Pink**



**PMD**



**Trico (Female)**

It's not my intention to crash the party on the Adams because it's been a great fly for a long time. But the great challenges of successful dry fly fishing have outgrown the usefulness of this pattern. We don't sell an Adams through our company, but should you ask, we'll offer more suggestions on dry fly patterns to replace it.

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