

# Eve River Special

As tied by Ken McLaughlin



**Mustad hook, probably a number 4, heavy wire. I also saw them tied on stainless hooks. They're dead simple to tie. I've tied mine with black thread, but purists will probably insist on pink.**

**Anyway, wrap the hook shank about halfway back, then tie in a dozen or so strands of pink crystal flash.**

**Lay them along the hook shank so they extend back to about the bend in the hook, and just past the eye.**

**Wrap the thread from just over the point to the eye.**

**Now tie in your pink chenille, and bring the thread back toward the eye, stopping about 1/8 inch away.**

**Wrap the chenille forward to the same spot and tie it off.**

**Bring the crystal flash back and underneath to form a beard. Tie it off and trim just short of the point of your hook.**

**Using a figure 8 pattern, tie in a pair of heavy bead chain eyes. Make sure they're nice and firm. Touch them with a bit of head cement if necessary, then whip finish and you're done. Simple. Even I can do it.**

**These flies work better on the Eve River than the standard Pink Eve that we use on the Oyster, because they're heavier. There will be times when you are fishing shallow water, and the Pink Eve will work just fine, but if you're probing the deeper holes or fishing below the riffles, the Pink Eve just won't get down properly, and you'll miss a lot of fish. I imagine the eyes also affect the retrieve, giving the fly a kind of rising and falling action. This may be important.**