

# The Spring King - Turquoise

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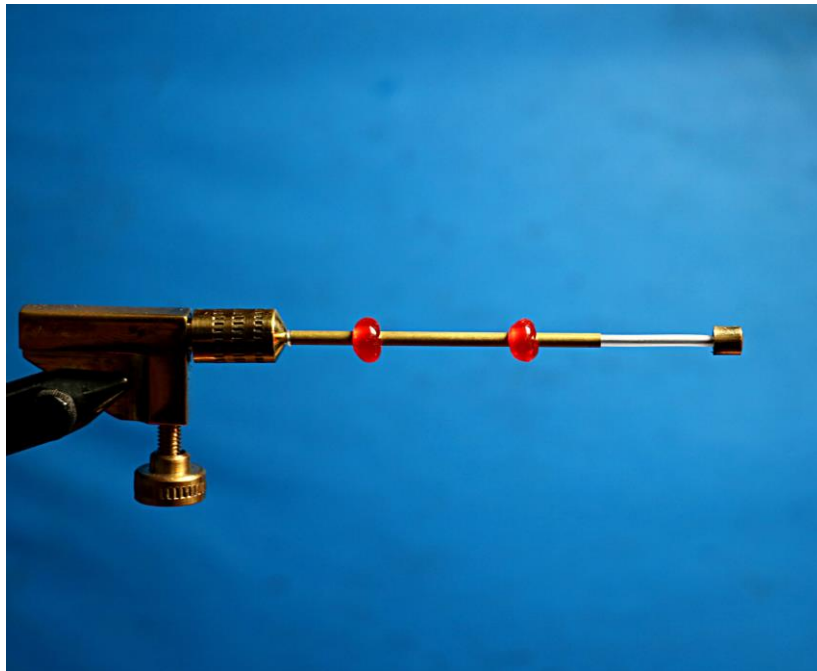


- Tube:** Two-inch small diameter Egret Prop Tube. I prefer stainless steel. Junction tube is chartreuse or SD blue.
- Tail:** Several strands of variegated rubber legs in turquoise, and blue.
- Rear Body:** Chartreuse seals fur with a chartreuse badger hackle palmered over.
- First Collar:** Several strands of variegated rubber legs in turquoise, and blue
- Hackle:** Chartreuse then SD Blue marabou tied in by the base and wound forward. A few strands of holographic green flashabou on top.
- Horns:** Two slender grizzly saddle hackles dyed chartreuse
- Cheeks:** Jungle Cock Spade feathers dyed chartreuse

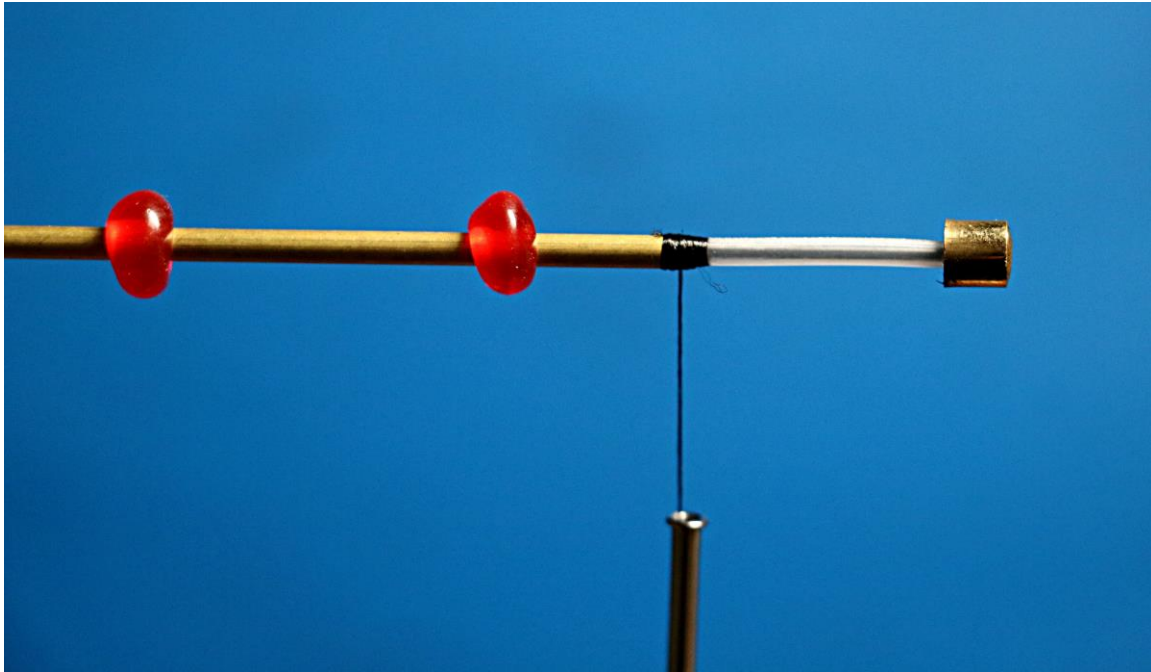
**Choose a two-inch Egret Prop Tube that will suite your depth needs.**



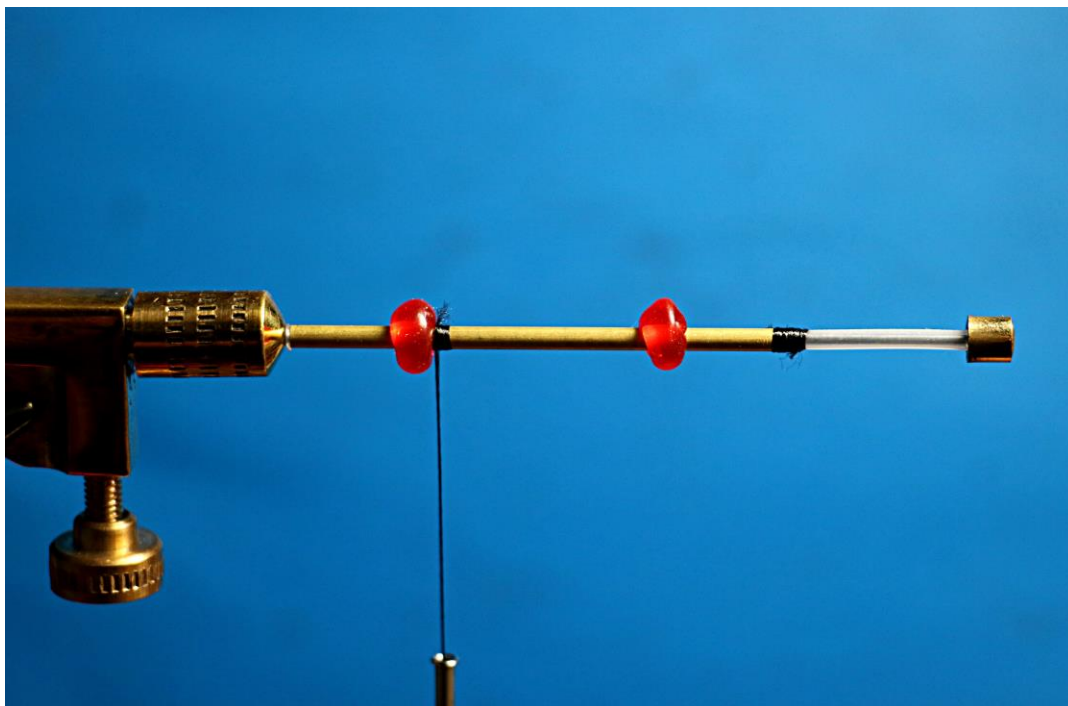
**Melt one side of the liner tubing next to an open flame. This will be the back of the pattern.**



**Tie on to where the metal and liner tube meet. Tie in a few wraps to secure the metal tube from slipping around the liner. I often use a drop of glue here for extra security.**



**Tie off the front and tie on to just in front of the first bump on the Egret Prop Tube.**





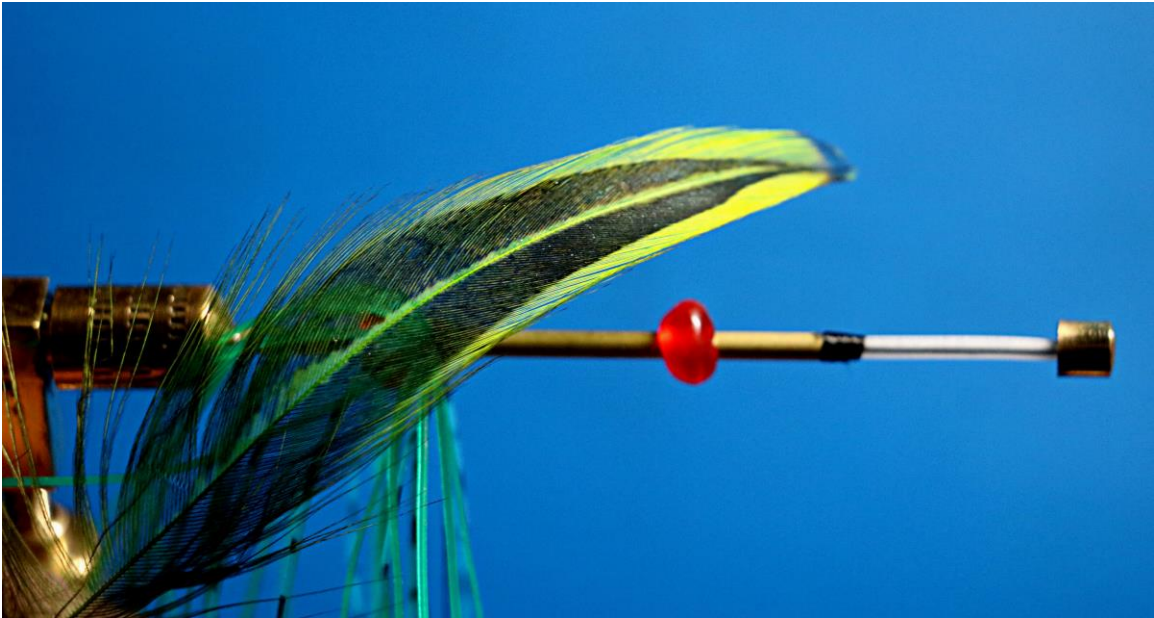
**Tie in a few strands of silly legs. We used a SD Blue variegated colour as well as a Turquoise colour.**



**Pull back all of the strands and wrap several times to secure them completely.**



**Choose a large Chartreuse badger hackle.**



**Pull the hackle by the tip to flair out the barbs.**



**Tie in the badger hackle by the tip. Either using a dubbing loop or adding it right to your tying thread, get a good length of chartreuse seals fur ready to spin on.**



**Wind on the Chartreuse dubbing.**





**Palmer the badger hackle over the seals fur.**



**Tie off and glue the wraps left just behind the second bump. Tie back on in front of the forward bump.**



**Tie in a few more silly legs.**



**Tie in a large chartreuse marabou plume by the base and wrap forward. You may need a second feather if the marabou is looking sparse.**





**Tie in a few strands of green holographic flashabou.**



**Tie in a SD Blue marabou plume by the base and wrap forward. Again, you may need a second plume if it wraps on a bit sparse.**



Add in the two “horns” of chartreuse saddle hackle. Make sure they are around twice as long as the marabou.



Tie in the two cheeks of chartreuse Jungle Cock Spade feathers.





**You are now done! Tie off your thread, cut the plastic tube to 1/16 of an inch and carefully melt a lip on the plastic tube by slowly twisting it next to an open flame. We coat the heads in epoxy to really make them last!**







*Stuart Anderson,  
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*Some other colour variations.....*









