Our Best Flies for Fishing the Ipswich River  (Are you willing to share your best?)

Materials List for Tying

Jack Gartsie's Sparrow
Hook: Mustad 9671, #4-14
Thread: Danville's 6/0, tan
Tail: grizzly rump marabou feather
Body: Rabbit squirrel blended with antron
Hackle: Pheasant rump hackle
Head: Pheasant

Adam's Parachute
Hook: Dry.
Post: calf hair.
Tail: Mixed brown and grizzly hackle fibers.
Body: Gray dubbing.
Hackle: Brown and grizzly mixed.

The Hare's Ear Nymph
Hook: #6-18 Mustad R72
Thread: Red 6/0 Uni-Thread
Tail: Guard hairs from hare's mask
Rib: Small gold Ultra Wire.
Abdomen: Hare's Ear
Wingcase: Turkey tail feather.
Thorax: Hare's Ear

Muddler Minnow
Hook: 2-12 TMC 5263
Thread: Black 3/0
Tail/Hackle: Mottled Turkey wing
Body: Flat gold tinsel
Underwing: Red Squirrel.
Wing: Mottled Turkey, matched.
Head: Deer Hair

Woolly Bugger
Hook: Streamer, Mustad 9672
Tail: Marabou - Black, olive, brown
Body: Chenille, black, orange, brown and olive are most common
Hackle: Color to match the body if desired.
Rib: Wire (gold, silver or copper)

Hornberg
Hook: Size 6 regular.
Body: two mallard feathers.
Cheek: Jungle cock
Hackle: Grizzly and brown mixed and tied as a dry fly collar.

The Ipswich River Watershed Association
Connecting Communities from Source to Sea

The Ipswich River Watershed serves as the voice of the Ipswich River. Through outreach, education, monitoring, and advocacy, we seek to connect the people, communities, and ecosystems integral to a healthy watershed.

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