

Rudolf Fly

A few years ago a little girl came in the shop. I was tying some Christmas tree flies and I also had couple of Santa flies tied up. The little girl thought that they were cute and suggested that I tie a reindeer fly.

The result was the Rudolf Fly. I tie up a few each year and give them away to friends and to any little girls that happen to find their way into the shop during the Christmas season.

Have fun and have a very Merry Christmas.

So here it is, the Rudolf Fly:



Recipe:

Hook: Mustad 3366 1/0

Thread: Monocord or Flymaster Plus

Body or Head: Spun deer hair, light brown natural with a hint of white.

Nose: Spun deer hair, red or red egg yarn, trimmed to shape.

Antlers: Cut from 2mm fly foam

Ears: Cut from chamois

Eyes: Sewing pins with black heads

Glue: Zap-A-Gap Gel

Special Tying Instructions:

Step 1. Mount thread at bend of hook and leave the hook shank bare.

Step 2. Begin spinning deer hair to form head.



Step 3. Tie off and remove rough head from vice. Clip to shape of reindeer head.



Step 4. Place hook back in the vice and spin deer hair for nose. Note egg yarn may be used for nose.



Step 6. Remove from vice and shape the nose.



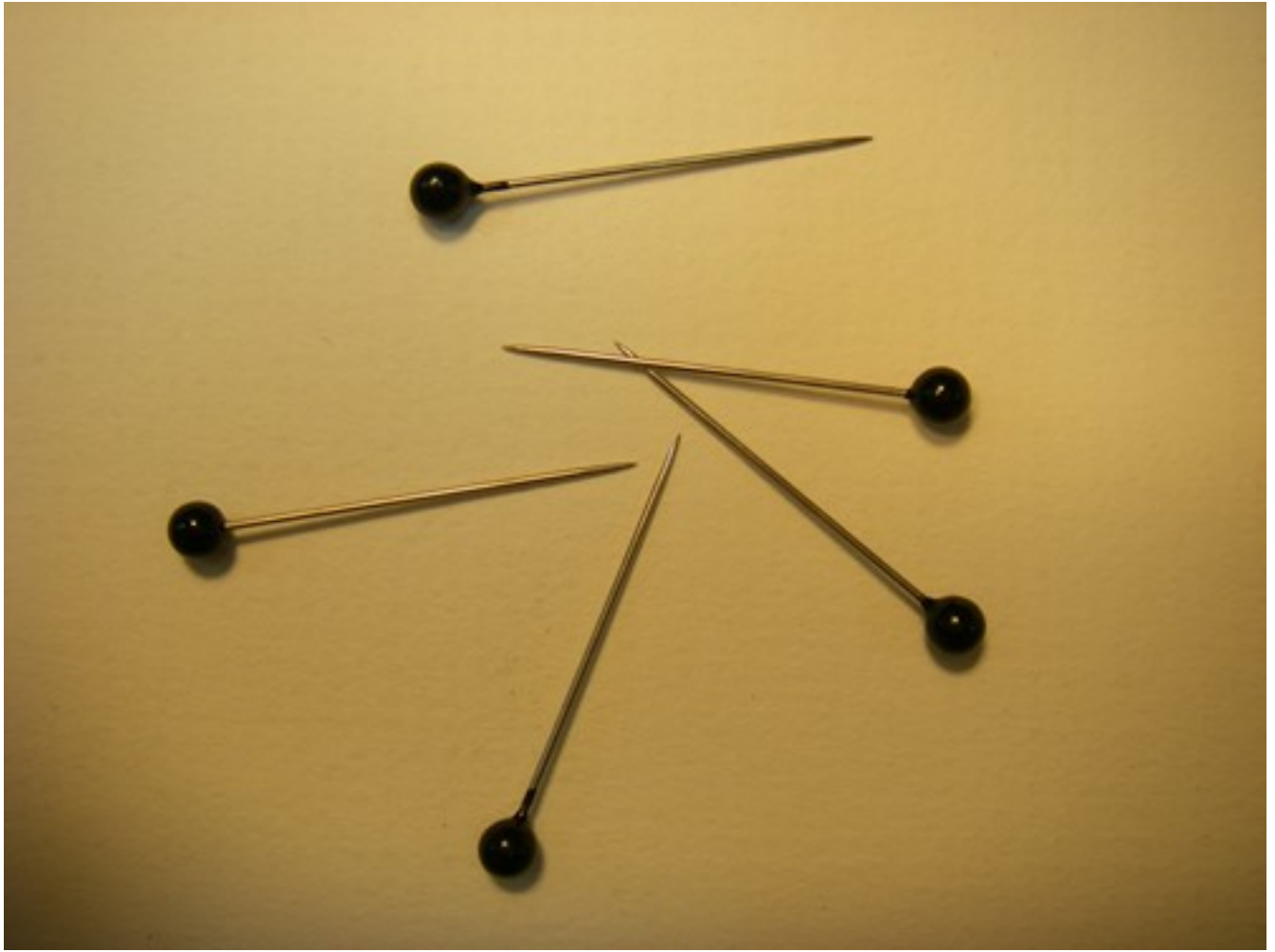
Step 7. Cut out antlers from a piece of 2mm fly foam.



Step 8. Cut out ears from a piece of chamois



Step 9. Raid your wife's sewing basket for a couple of ball head sewing pins. Dip in black lacquer.



Step 9. Glue various parts in position. For best results use Zap-A-Gel.





Step 10. Place a bead chain bead over the hook point for safety. Run some gold thread through the eye so you can hang your reindeer on your Christmas tree.

