Bead-Head Wooly Bugger
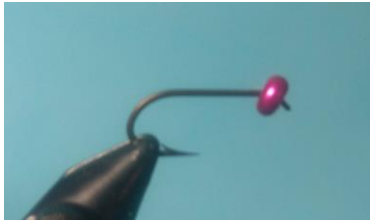
Step 1. Put a bead on the hook and place it in the vise.

Step 2. Start the thread behind the bead. Make a small thread dam to hold the bead in place. Move thread to the back of the hook, stopping at the bend.

Step 3. Tie in a piece of marabou. The length should be about the same length as the hook. Secure tightly and either trim the butt ends of the marabou feather or wrap it down over the hook.

Step 4. Prepare a hackle feather. Hold the feather by the tip and stroke the fibers backward. Tie in the tip of the feather at the tie-in point (at the bend of the hook) with the long part of the feather going toward the back of the hook.

Step 5. Prepare the chenille by removing some of the "fluff" and exposing the core. Pinch between the thumbnail and forefinger and pull the "fluff" off.

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Step 6. Tie in the chenille at the tie-in point and advance the thread to the front, behind the bead. Make sure the chenille is secured by giving it a slight tug.

Step 7. Wrap (palmer) the chenille around the hook shank and tie off behind the bead. Use a couple of capture wraps to secure the chenille. While holding the tag end of the chenille up, cut the excess.

Step 8. Wrap (palmer) the hackle feather over the chenille. Tie off the feather in the same place as the chenille and trim.