## **Materials Needed:**

## **Griffith Gnat**

Hook: TMC 101 #16-26 Thread: Black 8/0 UNI

Hackle: Grizzly Body: Peacock

Start the tying thread right behind the eye and build a smooth thread base to the bend of the hook.

Select, size and prepare a grizzly hackle feather. I like to shoot for about one to one and a half gaps on the hackle length.

Tie the hackle feather in at the bend of the hook with the outside of the feather facing up. Wrap thread forward.

Select six or eight fine peacock herls from the eyed portion of the quill. The herls in the tip of the eye are much smaller and will be more proportioned to the size of these small flies. Clip the tips of the herls so they are even and tie them in by their tips at the rear edge of the hook eye.

Wrap the peacock forward to the back of the hook eye and tie them off with a couple tight turns of thread. Clip the excess peacock flush against the hook shank.

Wrap the hackle forward from the bend to the eye in tight spiraling turns. I usually go heavy on the hackle figuring I can pare it down later if needed. Tie the hackle off at the hook eye and trim the excess. Done.



