



The Eclectic Angler

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30' Furled Horse Hair Fly Line

Our furled horse hair line starts out as 31” strands of white stallion hair from Siberia. This hair is very high quality as it is raised for musical instrument bows. No horses are harmed (other than a naked tail) in its production. We furl these strands, by hand, using the same 19th Century Furling Tool shown on our store.

The butt of the line contains 18 horse hairs – three strands of six hairs each. After a short level section, the line tapers evenly to its tip, consisting of three hairs. A loop, secured by white silk thread, is formed on each end of the line.

Horse hair lines are remarkably strong and robust. It is important to dry them thoroughly after use though. The best way to do this is to loosely coil the line (4” to 5” coils are fine) and let it sit in a warm dry area not exposed to direct sunlight. Do not coat your line with anything. Unlike silk, horse hair lines do not need a coating.

You have several options for attaching your fly to the line:

- 🪡 snell your fly with a single or two horse hairs
- 🪡 use a gut snell on your fly
- 🪡 use modern tippet material
- 🪡 use a strand or two of silk thread.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Michael Hackney'.

Michael

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