

## Getting Started: What Is Included in a Basic Fly Tying Toolkit? | First Drift Fly Co

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**Colorado Springs, Colorado Mar 22, 2024 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com))** - Ffirst Drift Fly Co Fly tying and fly design have evolved significantly in recent years, with artificial flies and new fishing styles dividing fly fishermen into opinion groups. This development allows fly fishermen to choose their path in fly fishing. However, there are still some [Fly Tying Materials](#) and tools that undergo significant development to make the process simpler and more comfortable. Here are these tools in detail:

- **Vise**

A [fly-tying vise](#) is a clamp tool that secures the hook while applying materials to create a fly. It is available in pedestal and clamp-style types, both attached to a base and table, respectively.

- **Bobbin**

Bobbins are essential fly-tying tools, allowing thread to be tied through a tube. Various types, from basic to expensive [bobbins](#), have adjustable spool brakes and ceramic tubes for thread unwinding.

- **Bobbin Threader**

Bobbin threaders are essential [fly fishing accessories](#) for frequent threading on bobbins, particularly for Japanese manufacturer C&F Design's bobbins. They are used with a foam notch at the thread's entrance into the tube.

- **Scissors**

High-quality [scissors](#) are essential [Fly Tying Tools](#), allowing material adjustments and trimming. They are particularly useful for cutting heads and bodies from dense materials like deer hair.

- **Hackle Pliers**

[Hackle Pliers](#) are essential for holding fragile or small-tying materials, preventing slipping and potentially damaging them. While some tying can be done without pliers, they make the process easier.

- **Dubbing, Hair, and Feather Clips**

A gripper or plier is a tool used for dubbing loops or creating specific wicks from dubbing, hair, or [feathers](#). It attaches a larger amount of material to a thread loop, allowing for easy release and wick formation. Essential for streamers and other flies.

- **Dubbing Tool**

This tying tool allows for the creation of unique wicks, enhancing the loop technique. It features high-quality rotary versions for quick, precise wick production.

- **Dubbing Needle**

This tool is useful for painting flies with varnish or finishing artificial flies by combing and pulling longer fibers. It can be replaced with larger needles, but a better model has a knot finisher for quick ends of artificial flies.

- **Tweezers**

[Tweezers](#) are a crucial tying tool used throughout the tying process, including combining hooks and beads, pulling materials, and holding dubbing mixtures. They are also used for looping with small amounts of material and finalizing fly treatments. Having at least three different shapes is recommended.

- **Hair Stacker**

This tool is useful for tying larger dry flies by aligning deer hair ends. It allows for easy removal of the tube and hair bundle, making it a must-have for aesthetes and fly tiers who take their hobby seriously.

- **Whip Finisher**

A unique tying tool for finishing flies with lost knots in a few steps. While not indispensable, it is useful for tying threads securely, which can be cut and varnished. **whip finisher**

- **Dubbing Brush**

Dubbing brushes, made of blended colored fibers twisted into wire, are a quick and easy way to add life and bulk to streamers' body parts.

## Finally

This basic toolkit should include everything you need to begin tying a variety of fly patterns. As you gain experience and learn new techniques, you may decide to supplement your toolkit with additional tools and materials.

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