

The Matarelli Whip Finisher is one of the finest fly tying tools ever made. This handy tool is made out of brass and stainless steel and will allow the fly tyer to make very neat and uniform heads by exact placement and spacing of the tying thread. While on the surface, this tool appears very difficult to use, it really is a very simple and easy to use tool once you get the hang of it.

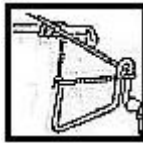
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Begin by holding the tool between your thumb and fore finger. Hook the end of your thread.



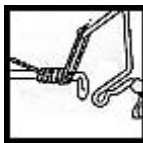
Pull your tying thread up and catch the thread in the notch on the tool.



While maintaining tension on the fly tying thread, rotate the tool to form a triangle as shown above.



Rotate the tool again around the hook shank until the desired number of wraps is achieved.  
If needed, feed more thread by gently rocking the tool back and forth.



Disengage thread by pulling up on the hook to ease the thread out of the notch.  
Continue to hold the thread with the hooked end.

Remove the hook and pull down on the bobbin to tighten the head. After you get the hang of it, you should be able to whip a head in a few seconds. You can whip around eyes or whip anywhere along the shank of the hook with this tool.

If you don't already own this tool, consider buying one.  
It will **save you time** and **make your flies look better**.