



Angler Innovations' Sure Spin does what many fishermen wish they could do for themselves—provide a perfect spin time after time on a cut-plug herring.

Cutting a herring into a plug is an art form that many don't master. And when you do get the perfect cut, today's often-soft bait mushrooms within a few moments, and the perfect spin, what there was of it, is gone. It makes one long for the days of starved, winter herring that would last seemingly forever.

The Sure Spin takes care of the soft-herring problems. It takes care of the brined-herring-won't-spin-right problems as well, and it protects fresh bait by reducing the push of water against the cut surface of the herring.

The Sure Spin is a plastic cap that fits over the cut surface of the herring and, according to which hole you run the leader through, will give you a spin ranging from blackmouth-and-coho tight to a lazy king roll.

Because of the configuration of the cap, it will produce the same roll (again, depending upon which hole you use) time after time, no matter how perfect or imperfect the herring is cut.

Rigging the Sure Spin is easy. Tie a leader, and it can be a fixed, two-hook mooching leader (the best in my opinion), a sliding leader or simply a piece of mono with a treble hook tied on the end.

Slide the end of the leader through the side hole and then choose the appropriate hole in the front of the cap. Bait-up as you would normally, and slide the herring into place. Catch fish; it's that easy.

If you want to play a bit, you can add a bobber-stop knot followed by a bead to your leader before you thread it through the hole on the side of the Sure Spin. Tighten the knot when you get it in place and it will take some of the pressure off the herring itself. I can see this being necessary with some of the soft baits available today.

The Sure Spin comes in four sizes, with the largest keyed to purple-label, extra-large herring. While this isn't a size that most salmon fishermen will use, it is ideal for halibut that we catch in the Pacific Northwest. Get the Sure Spin in the glow-in-the-dark finish, and you'll be set for flatfish.

As for colors, currently there are four in production: clear, chartreuse, red, and glow-in-the-dark. Blue is a prototype color that is still being tested, but since it lights up well under black light it is likely to be included in the line. Since the Sure Spin is in the early stages of production, expect a few tweaks and changes.

For more information, go to: www.anglerinnovations.com.