

Tatted Antique Wrist Bag w/Baubles Bobbie Demmer, Thompson Falls, MT ≈ 2009

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This bag was the result of finding a vintage tatted bag with crocheted baubles in a thrift store trashcan. It was dirty and rumpled up with a rotten silk lining. Inspired by Pam Palmer's 3D Ring Bee, I realized that there must be a way to TAT the baubles. The Chain Bauble is a continuous chain of double stitches (ds) between stabilizing threads (sbt). This creates a 3D shape that can be stuffed for added firmness. Originally published in 1996 IOLI Bulletin Vol.16 #4, this is the revised pattern. BD

Materials needed:

2 or 3 balls size 20 thread

Tatting shuttle wound CTM from ball of thread

Optional crochet hook as needed for joins

Scissors

1 ½ yards 3/8" – 1/2" or 3/4" satin ribbon that will fold

11" x 6 ½" soft fabric for lining, check your finished bag for exact measurements

Glossary:

ds – double stitch

CTM – continuous thread method

p – small joining picot

PR – previous ring

RODS – reverse order double stitch

RW – reverse work

FYI:

The Front side of the ring is the front side of the work. All chains are worked RODS.

Work firmly, rings started very close to chains, and chains started very close to rings.

Pull all work snug. All picots are small picots (p).

Use continuous thread method for each of the strips.

Wind 9 yards of thread on the shuttle and DO NOT CUT from ball of thread.

Begin near the lower edge just above the end Flowerette. Each strip is tatted up the row (right side of strip) to a Flowerette and back down the row (left side of the strip) to beginning Flowerette. Cut and tie each individual strip before beginning the next.

Leave enough thread tail to tie the back of the bag to the front (4" if possible).

Tat 6 joined strips for the front of the bag. Each strip joins to the previous strip at the 2nd and 3rd picot of the chain. The 7th joined strip begins the back of the bag and is joined to the 6th strip. Tat 12 strips. As the 12th strip is made, join it to the 11th and the 1st strip.

First half of strip:

Ring A 6ds, p, 6ds. RW

Chain B 3ds, 5p separated by 2ds, 3ds. RW

***Ring C** 6ds, join to previous ring, 6ds. Do not RW

Following ring is started very close to this one.

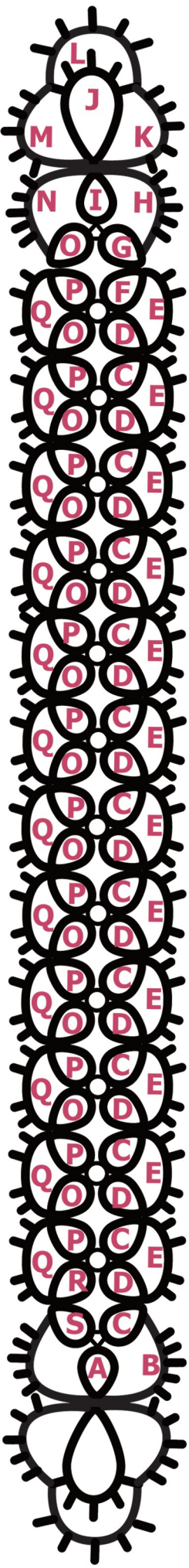
Ring D 6ds, p, 6ds. RW Snug to this ring start the next chain.

Chain E 3ds, p 2ds, p, 4ds, p, 2ds, p, 3ds. RW*

Repeat elements C, D, & E * to * 11x (or preferred length)

Ring F 6ds, join to previous ring, 6ds. (Do not RW)

Ring G 6ds, p, 6ds. RW



Flowerette :

Chain H 3ds, 5 p separated by 2ds, 3ds. RW

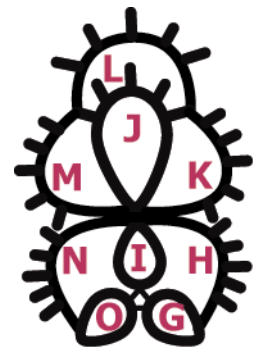
Ring I 6ds, join to p of previous ring G, 6ds.

Next ring is started very close to this one. Do not RW.

Ring J 6ds, 5p separated by 2ds, 6ds. RW

Repeat Chain H 3 times lock joining K & L into Ring J and
lock join M between Rings I and Ring J.

Chain N 3ds, 5 p separated by 2ds, 3ds. RW



Second half of strip:

***Ring O** 6ds, join to previous rings G & I, 6ds. (Do not RW)

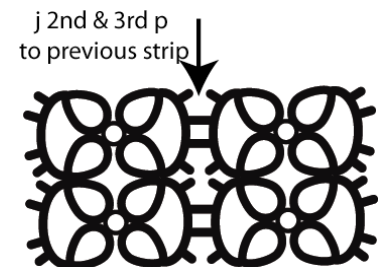
Ring P 6ds, join to previous ring F, 6ds. RW

Chain Q 3ds, p, 2ds, j 2nd and 3rd p of chain to previous strip,
4ds, join to preceding strip, 2ds, p, 3ds. RW*

Repeat elements O, P, Q * to * 11x (or preferred length of bag). RW

Ring R 6ds, join to previous ring, 6ds. (Do not RW)

Ring S 6ds, p, 6ds. RW



Lower Flowerette:

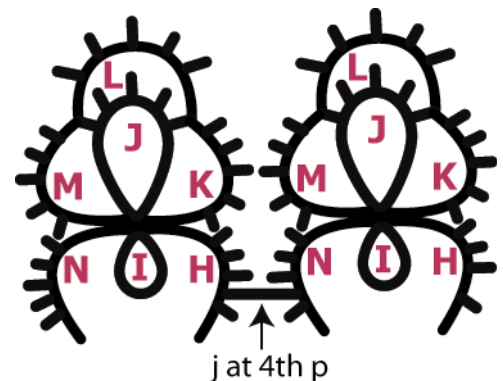
Chain H 3ds, 5 p separated by 2ds, 3ds. RW

Ring I 6ds, join to p of previous ring, 6ds.

Next ring is started very close to this one. Do not RW.

Ring J 6ds, 5p separated by 2ds, 6ds. RW

Repeat Chain H 3 times Lock joining L & K into Ring J
Lock Join Chain M between Ring I and Ring J. Leave 4" thread
tails for tying front 6 strips to back 6 strips of bag.



Optional Bookmark: One strip with or without a bauble makes a nice bookmark.

Repeat strip:

For a total of 12 strips joining 2nd and 3rd p of chains to previous strips at 2nd and 3rd p.

The 12th strip will join into the 11th strip and the 1st strip.

Be sure to join so all chain stitches are the same side up (front side tatting).

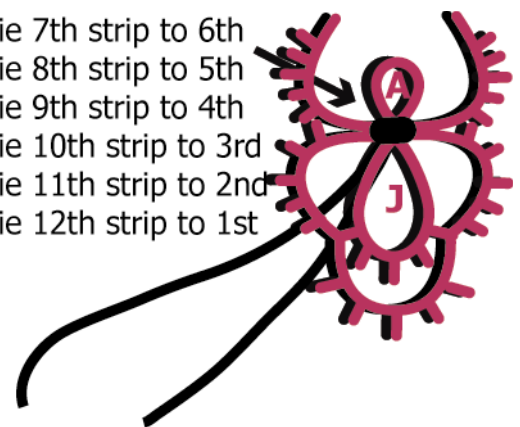
Join the Flowerettes at the 4th p between them.

The first 6 strips will have thread tails between rings A & J.

These are used to tie strips 7 – 12 to strips 1 – 6.

After tying strips, hide thread tails.

Tie 7th strip to 6th
Tie 8th strip to 5th
Tie 9th strip to 4th
Tie 10th strip to 3rd
Tie 11th strip to 2nd
Tie 12th strip to 1st



Lining:

Fold fabric in half, wrong sides out if surging, right sides out if making a French seam. Sew French seam or serge on sides and lower edge.

Turn under 1/4" at top edge, insert into tatted bag with the right side out, toward tatting.

Catch stitch to tatting just below the flowerette, between the ribbon drawstrings.

Drawstrings:

Cut ribbon in half.

Thread one ribbon around top under three joined rings and over the chains.

Tie the ends together in a small bow, about 1 3/8" across and with 1 1/4" tails.

Stitch through this bow several times to it does not come undone.

Thread the other ribbon just below the first one, under the 4 joined rings and over the chains.