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Rose Heart



It has been a long time since I've done a heart pattern, and what better month than February?

This little heart pattern is done in just one round--there is no cutting and tying until you're done! When done with size 20 thread, it's about 2 inches (5 cm) across, and makes a really nice pin to wear. You could even hang a little crystal from the bottom of the rose to hang in the open spot below it.

Let me pass on what I learned about making the rose. I tell you to leave about 1/8" (3 mm) between the center ring and the first chain in this pattern. It's awkward, but pays dividends later. When I tatted the sample on this page, I didn't leave that space. You can see the problem it created at the top of the rose. One side of it appears smashed in. Leaving the open space before the chain should prevent this.

I have written the instructions for using two shuttles to accommodate the Josephine knot. It can be done with one shuttle and the shoelace

trick, but I find that the tatting twists a bit when using the Josephine knot with the shoelace trick.

This pattern was tatted with size 20 Flora thread in Christmas red. It is beginner level and uses two shuttles, one if you use the shoelace trick.

ds double stitch R ring
p picot j join
lj lock join JK Josephine knot
Ch chain

You will need:

Tatting thread in your choice of color, size 20
2 tatting shuttles

Rose

R: (2ds p) 5 times, 2ds, close, turn

Ch: leave 1/8" (3 mm) of thread between the ring and this chain, 6ds, lj to next p on R. At each join, tat the first ds a little loosely to allow room for the lj on subsequent rows of the rose.

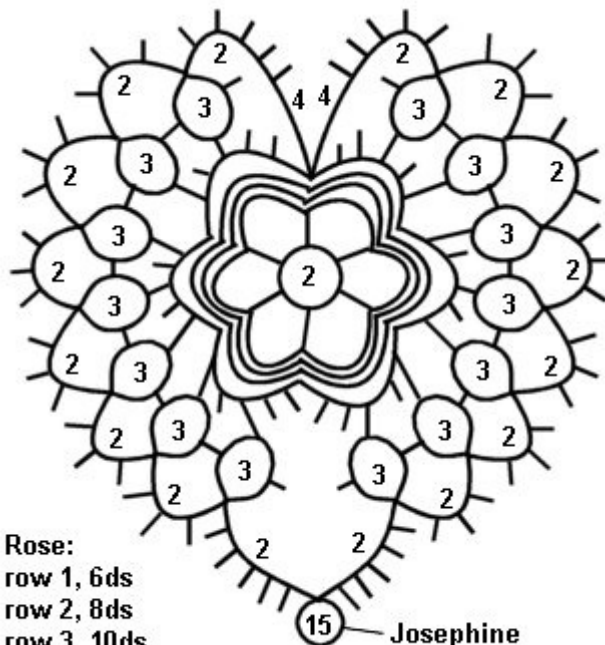
Repeat Ch around with the last lj at the base of the first Ch

Ch: 8ds, lj to space between chains of previous row, repeat around

Ch: 10ds, lj to space between chains of previous row, repeat around

Ch: (2ds p) 5 times 2ds, lj to space between chains of previous row, repeat around

Do not cut threads



Rose:
row 1, 6ds
row 2, 8ds
row 3, 10ds
row 4, (2ds p) 5 times, 2ds
Josephine knot

Heart

Ch: 4ds p (2ds p) 4 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds p 3ds j to center p of closest Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to last p of same Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to first p of next Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to center p of same Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to last p of same Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to first p of next Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to center p of same Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 5 times, 2ds, do not turn

With second shuttle JK 15, do not turn

Ch: (2ds p) 5 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds p 3ds j to center p of next Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to last p of same Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to first p of next Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to center p of same Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to last p of same Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to first p of next Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, turn

R: 3ds j to last p of prev R 3ds j to center p of same Ch on rose, 3ds p 3ds close, turn

Ch: (2ds p) 5 times, 4ds

Cut and tie.

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