

Mat in three rows

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Updated from my 2008 design

All the picots in this design, except for the 10 double picots in row 3, are just for joining. The picots which have two rings joined to them (p) are a tad larger than ones for joining just two elements (sp). All rings should be closed firmly (but not too tightly to distort the double stitches) and ones with the same stitch count should be the same size. I have added measurements for tensioning some of the chains but these are suggestions, use the photo as a guide as to how much curve to put in your chains

Requirements:

Size 20 thread, 2 shuttles, 3 picot gauges, -
an opened out paper clip, (p)

a cocktail stick to make a ¼ inch (7 mm) open measurement picot, (mp)

a lollipop stick to make a ¾ inch (2 cm) open measurement picot, (Lp)

and the usual tatting equipment.

Abbreviations:

CTM = continuous thread method

R. = ring, p = picot, mp = medium picot,

Lp = large picot, cl = close ring, CH. = chain, + = join,

SS = swap shuttles, sj = shuttle join, RW = reverse work.

Row 1

Wind about 4 meters on your shuttle. Do not cut.

R.A 8, mp, 6, p, 2, cl

R.B 2, + to ring A, 6, p, 4, p, 6, p, 2, cl

R.C 2, + to ring B, 6, mp, 8, cl, RW

CH. 9, p, 5, tension to curve outside ring C,
sj to the picot on ring C, 5, p, 9,
tension to match the chain between the
base of ring C and the shuttle join, RW

*R.D 8, + to the previous ring, 6, p, 2, cl

R.E 2, + to the previous ring, 6, + to the middle
ring of the previous trefoil, 4, p, 5, p, 2, cl

R.F 2, + to the previous ring, 6, mp, 8, cl, RW

CH. 9, p, 5, tension to curve outside the previous
ring, sj to the picot on the ring, 5, p, 9,
tension to match the chain between the base
of the last ring and the shuttle join, RW

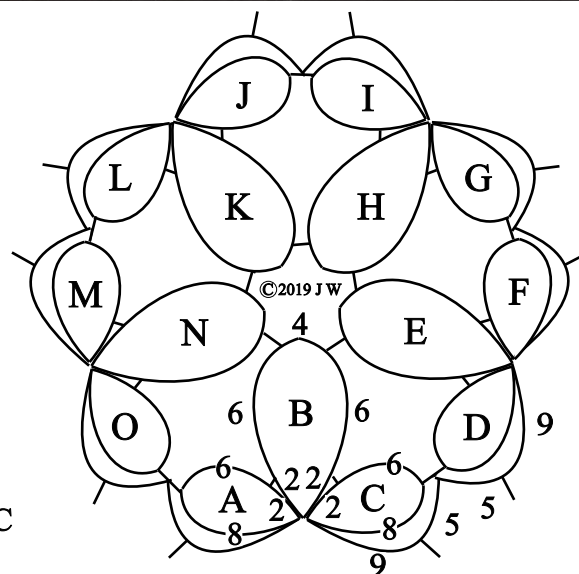
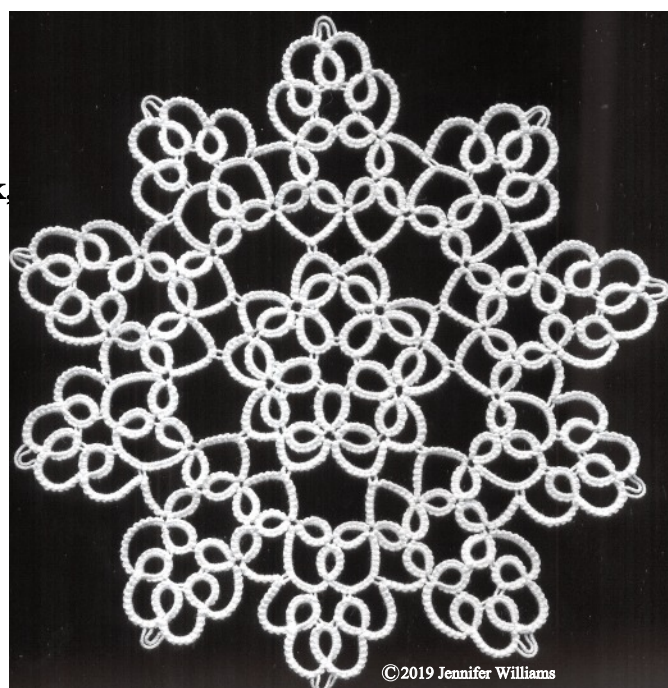
Repeat from * twice more then

R.M 8, + to ring L, 6, p, 2, cl

R.N 2, + to ring M, 6, + to ring K, 4, + to ring B,
6, p, 2, cl

R.O 2, + to ring N, 6, + to ring A, 8, cl, RW

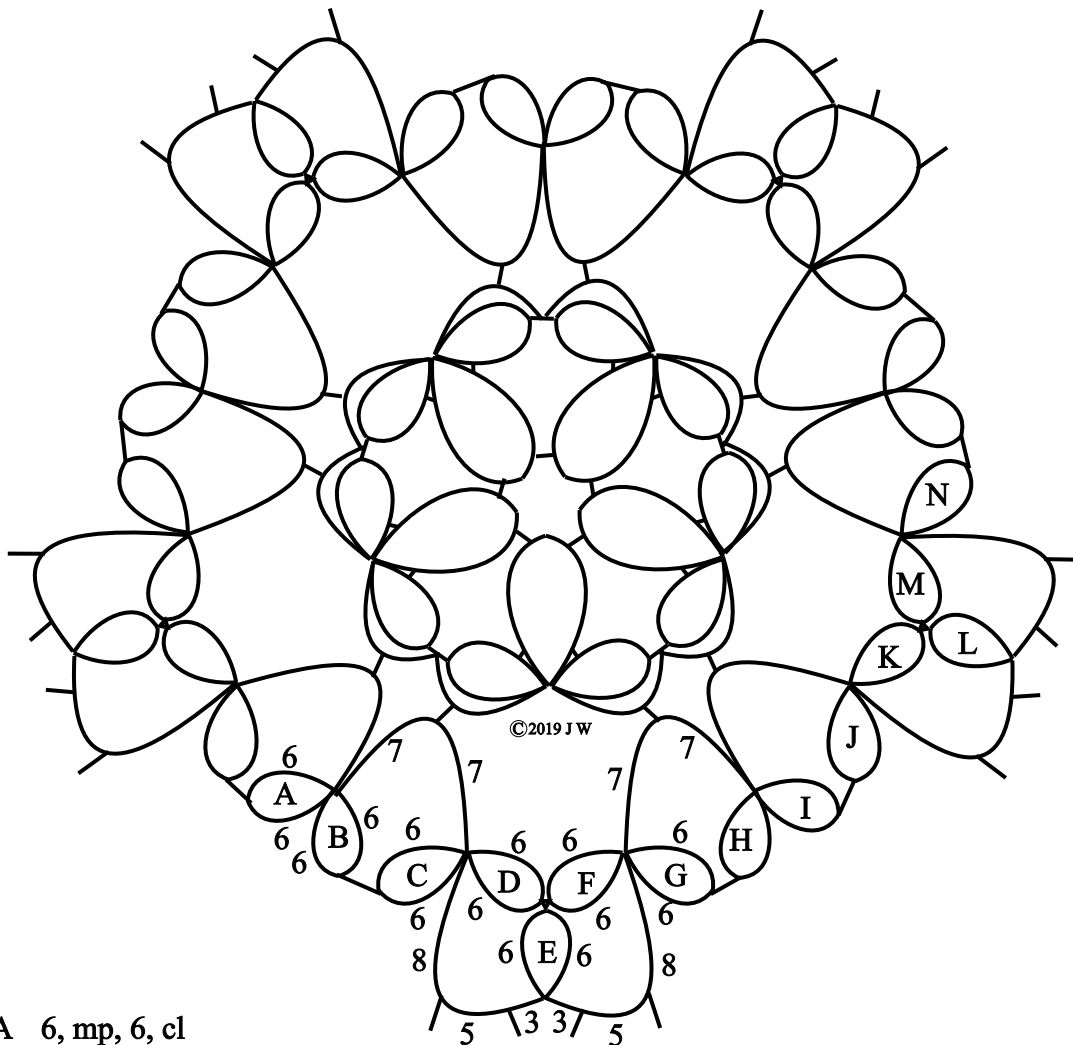
CH. 9, p, 5, tension as before, sj to the joining
picot between rings A and O, 5, p, 9
tension, cut and tie to the base of rings A, B and C
Secure the ends.



Row 2

Wind two shuttles CTM with about 5½ meters on shuttle 1 and 4½ meters on shuttle 2

The measurements in brackets for tensioning the chains are just a guide.

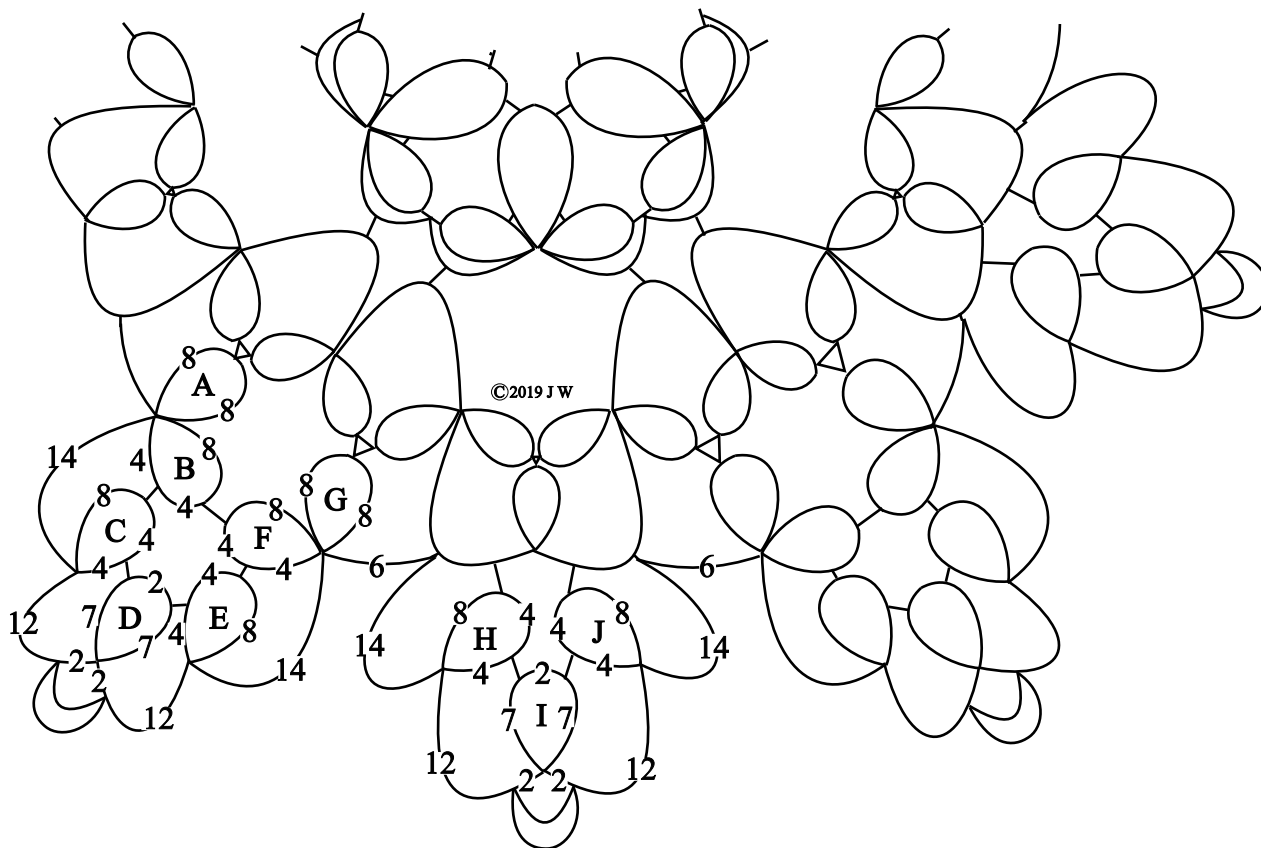


- SH.1 R.A 6, mp, 6, cl
 R.B 6, mp, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 7, + to the chain before one of the trefoils on row 1, 7, (tension to measure about 19 mm), RW
 R.C 6, + to ring B, 6, cl, SS, RW
- SH.2 R.D 6, mp, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 8, p, 5, p, 3, (tension to measure about 21 mm), RW
 R.E 6, + to ring D, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 5, p, 8, (tension to measure about 21 mm), RW
 R.F 6, + to ring D, 6, cl, SS, RW
- SH.1 R.G 6, mp, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 7, + to the chain after the trefoil on row 1, 7, (tension to measure about 19 mm), RW
 R.H 6, + to previous ring, 6, cl
 R.I 6, mp, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 7, + to the chain before the adjacent trefoil on row 1, 7, (tension to measure about 19 mm), RW
 R.J 6, + to ring I, 6, cl, SS, RW
- SH.2 R.K 6, mp, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 8, p, 5, p, 3, (tension to measure about 21 mm), RW
 R.L 6, + to ring K, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 5, p, 8, (tension to measure about 21 mm), RW
 R.M 6, + to ring K, 6, cl, SS, RW
- SH.1 R.N 6, mp, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 7, + to the chain after the trefoil on row 1, 7, (tension to measure about 19 mm), RW**

Repeat from the * to ** three more times. Remember to join ring N in the last repeat to ring A at the start. Cut and tie to the base of rings A and B then secure the ends.

Row 3

Fill your shuttle (about 11 meters). Do not cut from the ball
The measurements given for tensioning chains are just a guide



- R.A 8, + to the joining picot between a left hand group of two rings on row 2 (see diagram), 8, cl
R.B 8, p, 4, p, 4, cl, RW,
CH. 14, tension to $\frac{5}{8}$ inch (15 mm), RW
R.C 8, + to last picot on previous ring, 4, p, 4, cl, RW
CH. 12, Lp, 2, tension to $\frac{5}{8}$ inch (15 mm), RW
R.D 7, + to previous ring, 2, p, 7, cl, RW
CH. 2, + to the LP on the previous chain (making a double picot - see photo), 12,
tension to $\frac{5}{8}$ inch (15 mm) RW
R.E 4, + to previous ring, 4, p, 8, cl, RW
CH. 14, tension to $\frac{5}{8}$ inch (15 mm), RW
R.F 4, + to previous ring, 4, + to ring B, 8, cl
R.G 8, + to the joining picot between the right hand group of two rings on row 2, (see diagram), 8, cl, RW
CH. 6, tension to $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, sj to chain on row 2 (see diagram), 14, tension to measure $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (15 mm), RW
R.H 8, + to the chain on row 2 (see diagram), 4, p, 4, cl, RW
CH. 12, Lp, 2, tension to measure $\frac{5}{8}$ inch (15 mm), RW
R.I 7, + to previous ring, 2, p, 7, cl, RW
CH. 2, + to the Lp on the previous chain (making a double picot - see photo), 12,
tension to $\frac{5}{8}$ inch (15 mm), RW
R.J 4, + to previous ring, 4, + to the adjacent chain on row 2, 8, cl, RW
CH. 14, tension to $\frac{5}{8}$ inch (15 mm), sj to the next picot on the chain on
row 2 (see diagram), 6, tension to $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, RW

Repeat from * four more times to complete the row.

Cut and tie to the base of rings A and B.

Secure the ends, block then stiffen as required.

