

# "Petal Dancer!" © 2012 Rachael Mohler

Congratulations Amelyth from InTatters for winning the contest to name the new pattern that is my Holiday Gift to my tatting family!

## Needle Tatting



### Abbreviations:

- R – Ring (note there are no chains for this, it is a ring only pattern)
- FR – Floating Ring
- vsp – very small picot(just big enough to join to)
- B – bead used in place of a picot(optional, if you do not use beads use a picot here)
- + - join to vsp indicated

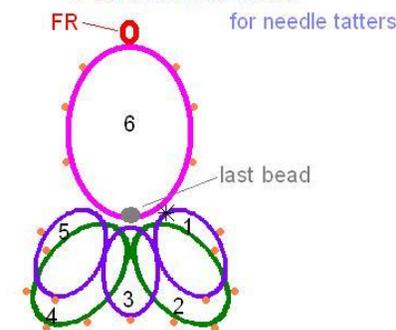
Skills needed: rings, picots, joins, floating ring is optional. If you need help with a floating ring in needle tatting you can find it at <http://www.intatters.com/showthread.php?3246-Floating-Ring-when-using-Ball-Thread-and-Needle>

### Material required:

- Needle (2 needles for floating ring or take the needle off, move it for floating ring then move it back)
- Thread in the color and size of your choice. I used an unknown pearl cotton size 8 with a size 8 needle.
- You will need about 2 yards per pendant or earring
- Beads are optional - use picots in place of them if you like.
- Earring findings
- Chain for the pendant or tat one.

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\* Start here

If doing FR\* - leave about 2 feet of thread before starting Ring and Thread Method(True Rings)

R1- 4, B, 4, B, 4, vsp, 4

R2- 6, b, 4, b, 4, b, 4, b, 4, vvsp, 6

R3- 4, + to vsp R1, 4, B, 4, vvsp, 4

R4- 6, + to vsp R2, 4, B, 4, B, 4, B, 4, B, 6

R5- 4, + to vsp R3, 4, B, 4, B, 4

R6- with FR\* - put your needle on the thread from the beginning, place needle over the closing spot of R5; use the same thread as before to form the stitches over the beginning thread.  
4, B, 4, B, 4, B, 4, B, 4{FR 8}4, B, 4, B, 4, B, 4  
place last bead on thread that is forming the stitches,  
close ring as in Ring and Chain Method(mock ring)  
Last bead should be centered over R1-5  
when this ring is closed.

Cut, Tie and Hide Ends

\*You may substitute a picot for the FR. Continue using true ring - 4, B, 4, B, 4, B, 4, P, 4, B, 4, B, 4, B, 4, place last bead on thread before closing the ring.



This picture shows the join of R3 to R1.



Another angle showing the same join of R3 to R1.



This picture shows how R1,R3 and R5 are joined as well as R2 and R5 before R5 is closed.



R5 is closed. In preparation for R6 place 3 beads on the thread we have been using up to this point. If using only one needle, take it off this thread and put it on the thread saved at the beginning. If you have 2 needles put the second needle on the beginning thread and put 1 bead on this thread (I used a special bead for this one because it ends up in the middle).



Place the Needle that is on the beginning thread at the base of R5. Complete the stitches up to the point of the FR using the same thread used for R1-5.



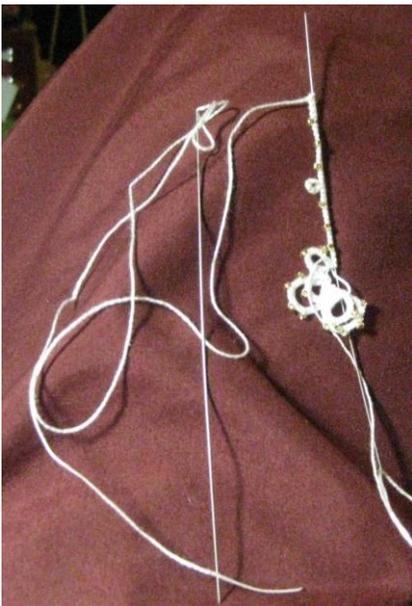
Place the first needle at the point of the last stitch on the second needle. If you only have one needle take the stitches off the needle and pull through leaving a loop (don't pull all the way through), then thread it onto the other thread.



Form the FR of 8 stitches as a true with the same thread.



Close the FR as a true ring. Place three beads onto this thread.



You can remove the needle from this thread at this time. If you only have one needle rethread it onto the other thread again. Finish the stitches of R6.



to front.

Take the stitches off the needle and start to close. Put the needle through the loop from back



an ornament hanger on it later.

Finish closing R6. Cut, tie and hide the ends. I will be using this as an ornament so I will put



For this ornament I used a true ring instead of a mock ring. Put one bead on the thread before starting. The Stitch count is 4-4-4-8, put needle through jump ring on the tiny snowflake, picot, 8-4-4-4. Close the ring so that the bead is centered over the first 5 rings. Cut, tie and Hide.