

MOBILE TATTERS GUILD

"Playing With String Since 1987"

October 2008

From the Editor

Please Note: **The Lace-In will be our Meeting for October.**

The Fifth Annual Lace-In, presented by the Mobile Tatters' Guild, will feature demonstrations in tatting, knitted lace and bobbin lace, and displays of antique and handcrafted laces.

October 5, 2008,

1-4pm, at historic Blacksher Hall, 1056 Government Street in Mobile. For more information call 251-476-8794.

Please bring finger foods to the Lace-In.

Bring your dolls if you would like.

Toodles!

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Upcoming Meetings

Mobile Tatters Guild

**Sunday, October 5,
1:00 p.m.**

Blacksher Hall
1056 Government Street,
251-433-3875

Knitter's Guild of Mobile

**4th Monday of each month
Blacksher Hall**

1056 Government Street,
251-433-3875.

Next Meeting is Monday,
October 27, at 7:00 p.m.

The Book Corner Review written by Sherron Mosley

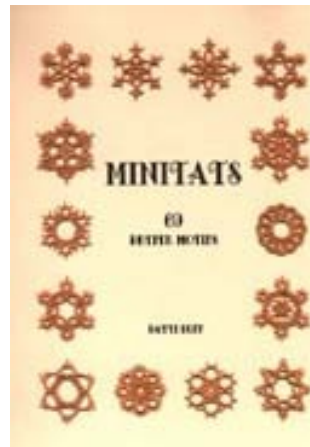
Minitats 69 Petite Motifs by Patti Duff

Minitats is a very good book that offers 69 small motifs. Each motif can be completed in 30-60 minutes. The book explains how to calculate thread to minimize excess left on the shuttle.

Patti also discusses measurements for picots.

This book includes some of the steps that I did not get when I first learned to tat. Other topics in this book are "taming the twist" which deals with the thread twisting, and the different types of pattern formats.

The motifs are perfect for that little gift for someone special or to include in or decorate a card, or to



attach a tail for a bookmark. There are multiple uses for the motifs. See the picture with several of the motifs from the "Minitats" book that we are using to decorate the tree skirt.

In my opinion, this book is very informative and would really be good for new and more experienced tatters.



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Sad News:

ROSE MARIE PUGH, DIRECTOR OF THE MULHERIN HOME, LOST HER GRANDDAUGHTER, NAZANENE (NAZEE) MAKAGBEHAD, IN A HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT THAT HAPPENED ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2008. NAZANENE WAS ROSE'S DAUGHTER'S ONLY CHILD. SHE WAS 27 YEARS OLD.

PLEASE KEEP THIS FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS.

A SYMPATHY CARD HAS BEEN SENT TO ROSE MARIE FROM THE GUILD.

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Witch Brewing with Her Cauldron

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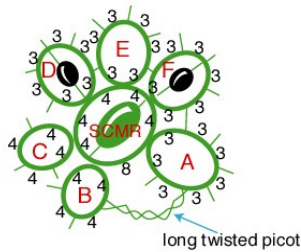
Witch Brewing with Her Cauldron

Abbreviations:

O = ring ~ = chain
 - = picot + = join

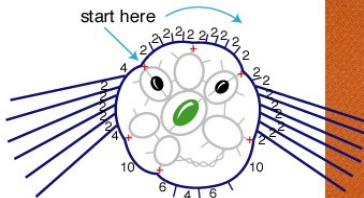
Row 1: face

Twist the long picot before joining to ring B. Sew on the beads after finishing, unless you apply them as you tat.



Row 2: hair

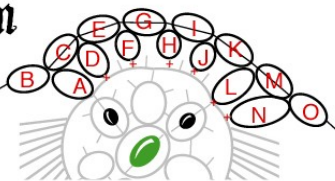
Join threads to ring D of Row #1. Make the long picots about an inch long. Clip to separate for the hair.



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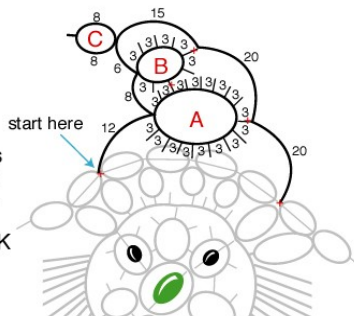
Row 3: hat brim

Rings A,B,D,L,O have 8 stitches.
 Split Rings C,E,G,I,K,M have 8 stitches.
 Rings F,H,J have 6 stitches
 Ring N has 10 stitches



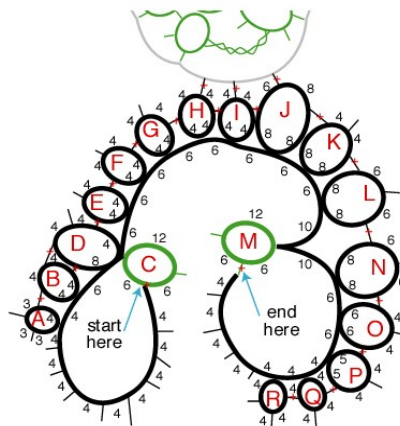
Row 4: hat

Join two shuttle threads to the junction between rings C and E of row #3. End by joining to the junction between rings K and M of row #3.



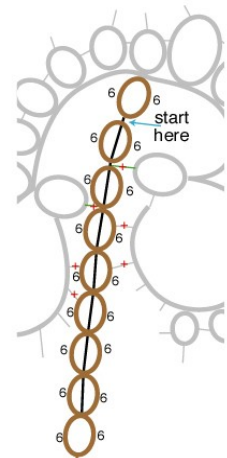
Row 5: arms

Load shuttle #1 with Green thread and shuttle #2 with black.



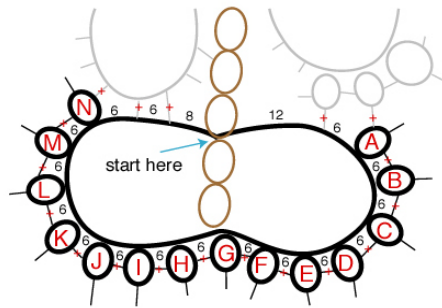
Row 6: stir stick

First ring is a normal ring and joined in the middle to ring I of row #5.



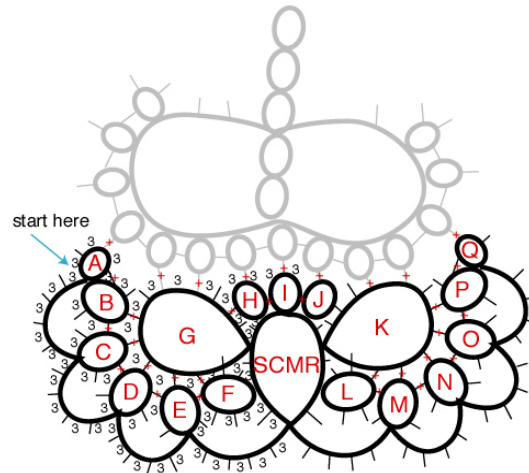
Row 7: lid to Cauldron

Join threads to junction of SRs in Row #6. All rings off of the chain are 3 stitches separated with 3 picots.



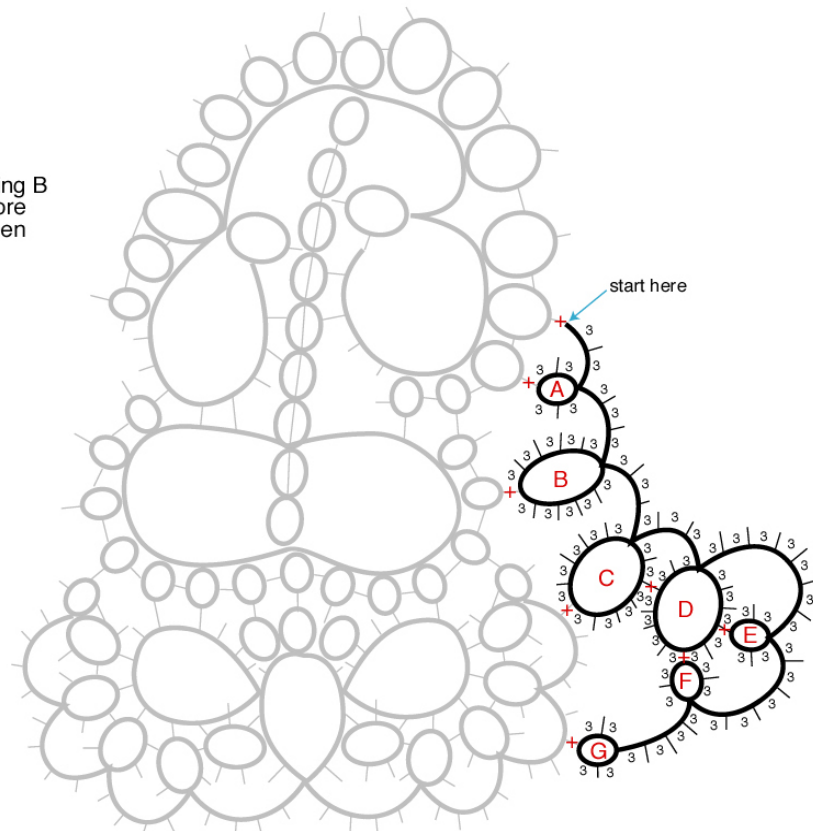
Row 8: Cauldron

After ring I, rings J through Q is the reverse order of rings A through H with the same stitch count.



Row 9: Skirt

Join ball and shuttle threads to ring O of Row#5. Ring A joins to ring P of row#5, ring B to ring B of row#7, ring C to last picot before ring P of row#8, and ring G to picot between rings N and O of row#8



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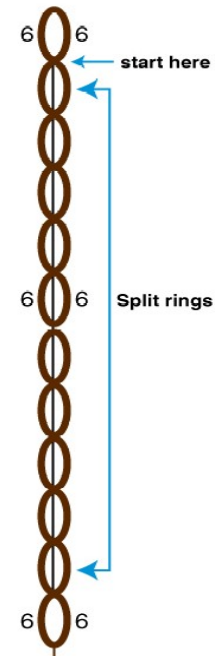
Cat on a Broom

Abbreviations:

○ = ring ~ = chain ⊓ = split ring
 - = picot + = join

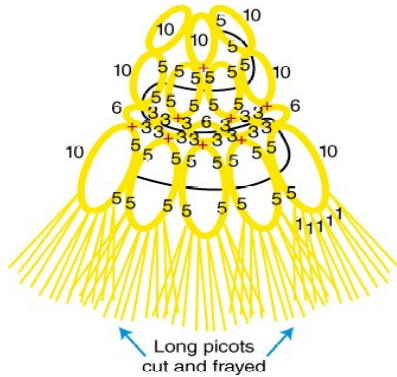
broomstick:

Load two shuttles with brown thread. The first and last rings are normal rings. The rest are split rings.



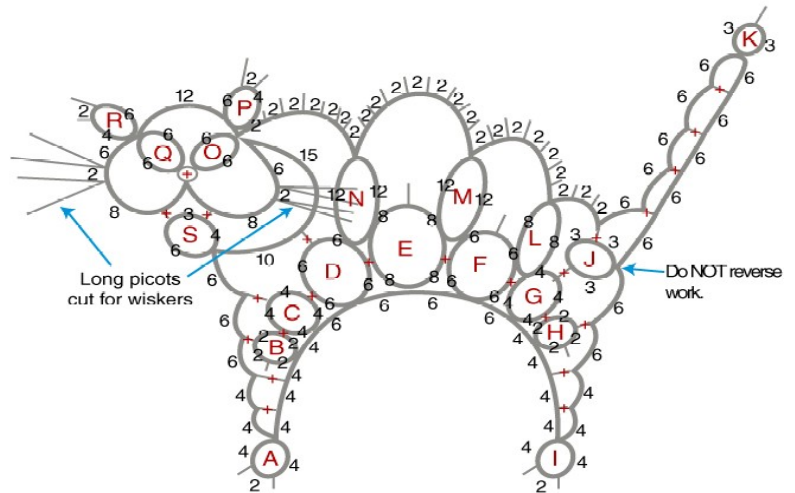
brush:

Load two shuttles with yellow thread. Join to the picot of the last ring of the broomstick. The first two rings and last ring are normal rings. The rest are split rings. Make the long picot of the last row of rings about an inc long



Cat:

Load two shuttles with black thread. This pattern can be tatted separately or combined with the broom. To attach the cat to the broom, join using the first picots of the rings of the feet to the junction between the split rings of the broomstick.



English Toffee Cookies Submitted by Cathy Hayes

- 1 cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg, separated
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 2 cups sifted flour
- 1/2 cup finely chopped pecans or almonds

Directions: Cream butter and sugar together. Add egg yolk, vanilla and sifted flour. Spread and press very thin on 2 greased cookie sheets almost to the edge. Brush with slightly beaten egg white. Sprinkle with pecans. Bake at 300 degrees for 30 minutes. Do not overbake—watch very carefully toward end. Cut in shapes as soon as taken from oven.

Show and Tell



Elizabeth Birmingham sure has been busy. She made the two purses, which have pockets on the inside, perfect for carrying tatting projects.

She also completed her friendship doily, the teddy bear, the starfish that appeared in last month's newsletter, the red dragon and the beaded purse, all of which are very pretty.



Mary Ann Pugh is in the process of tatting this ruffled doily. The picture does not show how beautiful it really is.



Here is J.B.'s completed friendship doily framed in one of those acrylic trivets.



J.B. used the new "Lizbeth" thread from Handy Hands to make the tatted daisy.

J.B. participated in Jane Eborall's TIAS (Tat It And See) which was the Mother. As a bonus, whoever completed the TIAS and sent Jane a picture received the pattern for the rest of the family. J.B. just thought it was too adorable and had to finish her tat family.

The doily is made from three shades of pink thread that Heidi Sunday gave to J.B. three years ago as a Secret Pal gift. She started the doily as soon as she received the thread and used it as the project that she carried around in her purse to work on during "waiting time". After three years, it was finally finished. It is tatted in size 80 Majestic thread. The pattern is the "Clover Doily."



The Laura Tree Information

At the February meeting members signed up to tat a letter to go on a Christmas tree skirt for the Laura tree. The Alphabet pattern is from *The Joy of Split Ring Tatting* by Mary Sue Kuhn.

T—Sharon Thomas

H—Elizabeth Birmingham

E—J.B. Locke

L—Mary Ann Pugh

A—Marilyn Shirey

U—Elizabeth Birmingham

R—Sherron Mosley

A—Cathy Hayes

T—Sharon Thomas

R—Sherron Mosley

E—Coutie Reeves

E—J.B. Locke

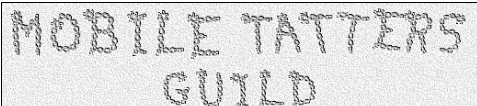
Thanks to all who volunteered.

Tatting should be done in White size 20 thread.

Please bring your tatted letters, needles, and a thimble to the Lace-In.

We will be sewing the letters on the skirt.

We will be attaching the letters to the skirt at the Lace-In. If you have not submitted your letters, please bring them to the Lace-In. Also, at the last meeting, we discussed tatting several motifs to decorate the skirt. Please bring any motifs that you would like to contribute.



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