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I have "wedding" on the brain this month. My niece got married in Virginia at the beginning of the month, and asked me if I would host an open house at my home on May 30. Of course, I lost my head and said I would.

Now I see all the dirt in my home ...

So, since I'm thinking wedding, I thought I'd tat something "wedding". I started off with trying to design a wedding bell edging, and that was a total flop. So I thought maybe wedding bands.

It worked! In fact, I thought it would be fun to add more Josephine Knots on the woman's ring and really make it fancy, but for the sake of brevity, I'm leaving just one on. After all, I have a house to clean!

This pattern is beginner to intermediate level and uses one shuttle. I used some old size 60 from my stash, but this will tat up nicely in any size thread.

You will need:

Thread in your choice of color and size 2 tatting shuttles A tiny crochet hook A safety pin

ds double stitch p picot JK Josephine Knot

Instructions:

Man's ring

R: 1ds p 4ds p 1ds, close, turn *Ch: 7ds, turn R: 1ds j to last p of previous R, 4ds p 1ds, close, turn* Repeat between * until 13 rings are completed. Ch: 7ds, turn R: 1ds j to last p of previous R, 4ds, j to first p of first R, 1ds, close, turn Ch: 7ds Cut and tie.

Woman's ring

Wind one shuttle with about a yard (1 meter) of thread. Cut off the ball and tie to another shuttle. Wind a few times. Add the safety pin to the thread between shuttles.

Ch: 8ds, starting the stitching against the safety pin and pushing the stitches snugly together. Do not turn. JK 15, do not turn. Ch: 60ds, pushing the stitches snugly together as you go.

Cut the threads and remove the safety pin, making sure not to close the little loop it made at the beginning of your stitching. Put the woman's ring through the man's ring. Using a tiny crochet hook (I used size 16 or 0.4mm), pull one of the threads through the loop and tie a knot.

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