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## Tatted Computer Down Time Bookmark

Recently at work my computer died. I mean really died. And since my entire job is done on the computer, I had no work to do. So I asked a friend of mine there who tats if she had any shuttles. No sense in wasting time! She had this fun black and white variegated thread loaded on two shuttles with no project attached, so I started tatting to see what would come out. The IT guy tried fixing my computer, but had to take it away, wipe it clean, and start over. That takes a whole day, so l just went home. That was one of my better days at work!

This bookmark is the pattern that "appeared" from my tatting that day. I don't even know what this thread is--my friend said it was vintage. I do know that it is either size 20 or 30 and that Flora or Cebelia threads would work great for it.

This is an intermediate-level 2-shuttle pattern using simple rings and chains.

| ds | double stitch | R ring |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ch | chain | j | join |
| p | picot | lj | lock join |
| lp | long picot |  |  |

You will need:
Tatting thread in your choice of color, size 20 or 30
$1 / 4$ yard $5 / 8$ " wide grosgrain ribbon to match
2 tatting shuttles
Round 1
R: (3ds p) 5 times 3ds, close, turn
*Ch: 3ds p (2ds p) 6 times 3ds, turn
R: 3ds p 3ds j to 2nd p of previous R (3ds p) 3 times 3ds, close, turn* Repeat between * until you have 5 completed rings.
Swap shuttles
Ch: 3ds p (2ds p) 12 times, 3ds

* $J$ to base of next $R$

Ch: 3ds $j$ to last p of previous Ch (2ds p) 12 times 3ds*


Repeat between * around
Ch: (3ds p) 6 times 3ds $j$ to base of $R$ opposite the $R$ you just joined to
*Swap shuttles


Ch: (3ds p) 7 times j to 1 st $p$ of previous Ch*
Repeat between * for a total of 22 chains. Cut and tie.

Round 2
This round will use the picots that are along the sides of the series of 22 chains.
Join to base of the first $R$ you made.
Ch: 3ds $j$ to closest $p$ at the side of the chains
*Ch: (2ds p) 5 times 2ds
$J$ to next $p$ at the side of the chains*
Repeat between * to the end of the side of the bookmark
Ch: 2ds p 2ds j to $p$ where the first round ended
Ch: (3ds p) 7 times 3ds
$J$ to 2nd to the last $p$ of the last chain of the previous round
Ch: 2ds p 2ds j to last p of the last chain of the previous round
*Ch: (2ds p) 5 times 2ds
$J$ to next $p$ at the side of the chains*
Repeat between * to the end of the side of the bookmark
Ch: 3ds j to base of R
Cut and tie
Steam the bookmark so that it's flat, weave the ribbon through it and trim the ends diagonally.
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