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Tatted hoop earrings



A few weeks ago, my friend handed me these hoop earrings and challenged me to put something tatted in them. I thought it would be an easy design to put together, but I was fooled! It was a little more of a challenge than I anticipated because I needed to get the tatting just the right size to fit in the space. It took a couple of tries, but I did it.

This design is easy to tat and fast. This is a great idea for a Christmas, Hanukkah or other holiday gift! You can dress it up by using variegated threads or adding beads, too.

This pattern is beginner level and uses one shuttle.

Instructions:

ds double stitch R ring p picot j join lj lock join

You will need:

Tatting thread in your choice of color, size 30. The sample was done with size 30 DMC Cebelia thread. 1 tatting shuttle

1 pair of 1.25" (3mm) hoop earrings

Be sure to make the long picots (lp) in this pattern long enough that they can be threaded over the earring.

R1: (2ds p) 7 times, 2ds, close Leave thread the length of the picots in the previous R R2: (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds lp, (2ds p) 3 times, 3ds, close Leave 1/16 (1 mm) thread, lj to next p on R1, leave 1/16 inch thread *R: 2ds j to last p of prev R, (2ds p) 2 times, 2ds lp (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, close Leave 1/16 (1 mm) thread, lj to next p on R1, leave 1/16 inch thread* Repeat until all p on R1 have been joined. R: 2ds j to last p of prev R, (2ds p) 2 times, 2ds lp (2ds p) 2 times, j to first p of R2, 2ds close Cut and tie to base of R1.



Thread onto one of the earrings through the long picots. Repeat for second earring.

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