





Sometimes I get ideas from strange places. I was thinking about this month's design the other day and happened to look at the shower curtain. It had bears and moose and paw prints. It occurred to me that it would be fun to make a tatted paw print because you could put it in such fun places.

This design is beginner level and uses one shuttle. I used size 30 DMC Cebelia thread in Dark Grapefruit.

These tips may be useful when making this pattern: Shoelace trick http://www.be-stitched.com/shoelace.asp Continuously wound thread http://www.be-stitched.com/cwt.asp Lock join http://www.be-stitched.com/lockjoin.asp

You will need:

Thread in your choice of color and size 1 tatting shuttle

Ds=double stitch, p=picot, j=join, lj=lock join

Instructions:

Wind about a yard (1 meter) of thread on your shuttle, do not cut.

R: (3ds p) 7 times, 3ds, close, turn Ch: (2ds p) 2 times, 2ds, SL R: 6ds p 3ds p 3ds, close, turn *Ch: 3ds p 3ds, turn R: 3ds j to last p of previous R, (3ds p) 2 times, 3ds, close, turn* Repeat between * once more Ch: 3ds p 3ds, turn R: 3ds j to last p of previous R, 3ds p 6ds, close, SL Ch: (2ds p) 2 times, 2ds, turn R: 3ds p 3ds j to picot on previous Ch, 3ds p 3ds j to center p of first large R, (3ds p) 3 times, 3ds, close, turn Ch: (2ds p) 5 times, 2ds lj to 5th p of previous R Ch: 1ds p 1ds lj to 3rd p of first large R Ch: (2ds p) 5 times, 2ds Cut and tie.



Start at red dot