

Torchon Tat Bookmark






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This bobbinlace inspired bookmark is designed with two tating elements: split rings and half rings. The half ring is achieved with one shuttle and you don't fully close the ring to get the correct effect. The split ring requires 2 shuttles. The sample was tatted with size 20 mercerized cotton and measures(not including the tail) 5 inches long(12.5 cm). When working on this project, remember the number "1". All rings/half rings consist of 1 double stitch between picots. That is what gives it its dainty charm.

Abbreviations:

R=ring	"-"=picot	HR=half closed ring
"+"=join	clr=close ring	RW=reverse work
sp=space of thread	"p"=picot	SR=split ring

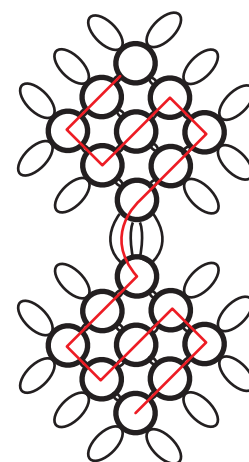
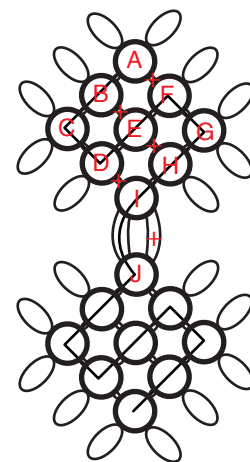
Visual Diagram Key:

 = ring	 = joined picot	 = split ring
 = picot	 = half closed ring	

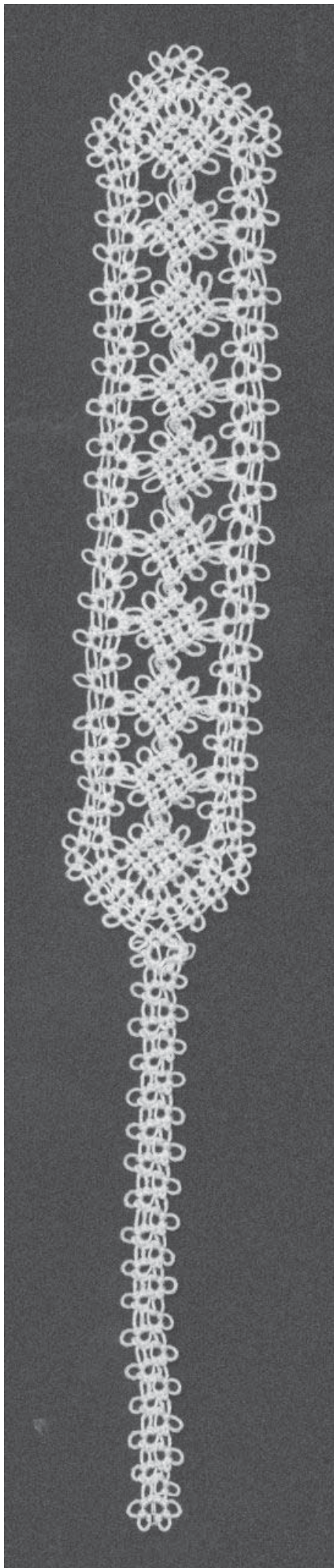
TIP: all joining picots and spaces between each split ring is very small. Make the joining picots as small as you can manage to get a snug fit between the rings. All split rings have a total count of 4 double stitches. Load 2 shuttles CTM(continuous thread method)

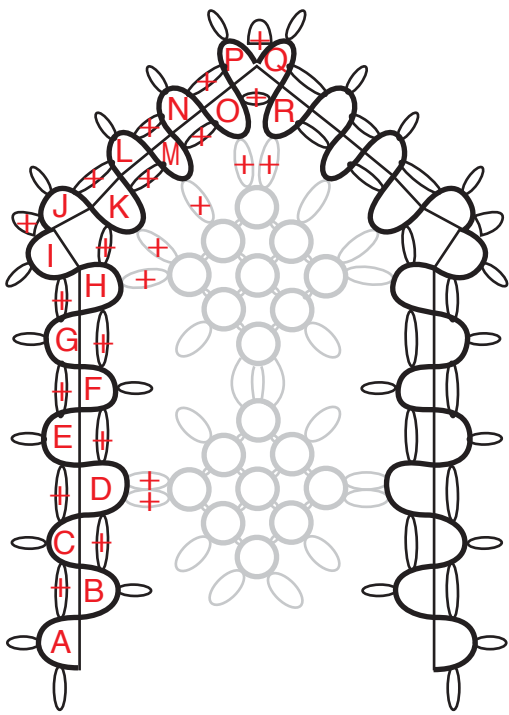
Row#1: Split Ring Ground Diamonds

RA: 1-1-1-1, clr
 SRB: 1-1/1-1, clr
 SRC: 1/1-1-1, clr
 SRD: 1/1-1-1, clr
 SRE: 1+(to small p of RB)1/1-1, clr
 SRF: 1+(to small p of RA)1-1/1, clr
 SRG: 1-1-1/1, clr
 SRH: 1-1/1+(to small p of RE)1, clr
 SRI: 1-1/1+(to small p of RD)1, clr
 Leave 1/8 inch thread space for mock picot to bridge to next diamond and RJ.
 SRJ: 1+(to long p of RI)-1-1/1, clr
 Continue with the remaining SRs in same manner as done for rings B through I.
 Continue for desired length.
 Tie and work in ends.



Indicates the SR trail





TIP: This row only takes one shuttle to complete. It consists of half rings, which are rings that are not fully closed and the thread space at the base of the ring is treated as a design element. All HRs have a total stitch count of 4 double stitches, each with 3 picots. Make normal sized picots for the top and bottom points when turning corners, but make longer than normal picots when making the HRs on the long sides.

Row#2: Half Ring Braid

HRA: 1-1-1-1, RW

HRB: 1-1-1-1, RW

HRC: 1+(to last p of HRA)1-1-1, RW

HRD: 1+(to last p of HRB)1+(to p of side SR of second diamond in row#1)1+(to next p of same side SR)1-1, RW

HRE: 1+(to last p of HRC)1-1-1, RW

HRF: 1+(to last p of HRD)1-1-1, RW

HRG: 1+(to last p of HRE)1-1-1, RW

HRH: 1+(to last p of HRF)1+(to p of side SR of first diamond in row#1)1-1, RW

HRI: 1+(to last p of HRG)1-1-1, DO NOT RW

HRJ: 1+(to last p of HRI)1-1-1, RW

HRK: 1+(to last p of HRH)1+(to next p of same side SR of first diamond in row#1)1-1, RW

HRL: 1+(to last p of HRJ)1-1-1, RW

HRM: 1+(to last p of HRK)1+(to next p of next SR of same diamond)1-1, RW

HRN: 1+(to last p of HRL)1-1-1, RW

HRO: 1+(to last p of HRM)1+(to next p of next SR of same diamond)1-1, RW

HRP: 1+(to last p of HRN)1-1-1, DO NOT RW

HRQ: 1+(to last p of HRP)1-1-1, RW

HRR: 1+(to last p of HRO)1+(to next p of same SR)1-1, RW

Continue around the corner in reverse order like HRs N-H and continue down the side, joining to the side picots of the other diamonds. Continue around the corner at the other end and finish up at HRA. Tie and work in ends.

Row#3: The Tail

HRA: 1-1-1+(to p of corner HR of Row#2)1

HRB: 1+(to next p of next HR of Row#2)1-1-1, RW

HRC: 1+(to first p of HRA)1-1-1, RW

HRD: 1+(to last p of HRB)1-1-1, RW

Continue making alternating half rings for desired length.

End with a half ring that is opposite to the last so it mirrors HRs A and B. Tie and work in ends.

