Queen Anne's lace



Introduction:

This flower is made up entirely of daisy picot rings. Daisy picot rings are made by tatting a ring with shuttle one and instead of leaving a gap to form a picot, shuttle 2 is used to encapsulate the ring thread for the given amount of stitches.

Materials:

Tatting cotton size 30 in white; 2 shuttles; 24 gauge green wire; small white beads; PVA craft glue; green florist's tape.

Method:

Wind both shuttles with the white thread. For the first daisy picot ring CTM (continuous thread method) could be used, but for subsequent rings the two shuttles will be separate. This is because it would be too laborious to keep winding 2 shuttles CTM with the small amount of thread required to make one daisy picot ring.

- With shuttle 1 start a ring in the normal way leaving a starting thread of about 2 inches (for tying to the cut off thread at the end) and make 1 ds.
- Keeping the ring of thread on the fingers of your left hand drop shuttle 1 and leave at front of ring.
- 3. Pick up shuttle 2 and also leave a starting thread of about 2 inches running alongside the first thread.

Make 3 ds p 3 ds without flipping the stitches encapsulating the ring thread still on the fingers. Snug these stitches up and



- then drop shuttle 2 and leave over the back of the left hand.
- 2. Pick up shuttle 1 and work 2 ds in the normal way.
- 3. Switch shuttles and repeat steps 4 and 5 until 5 daisy picots have been made but only 1 ds on the ring after the last daisy picot.
- 4. Close ring with shuttle 1 and cut ends approximately 2 inches.
- 5. Tie a single knot with all the ends to lie neatly on the reverse side. Dab the knot with glue and when dry trim the ends close to the knot.

To make up.

- 1. For one full flower make 20 daisy picot rings.
- 2. Cut 20 wires as follows: 4 X 2 inches long; 4 X 3 inches long; 10 X 4 inches long.
- 3. Glue a small white bead to one end of each wire and leave to dry.
- 4. Glue a daisy picot ring to the base of each bead by threading from the base of the wire.
- 5. Group the 4 small wires and bind together with the florist's tape making sure that the flowers are level.
- Tape the 6 medium wires evenly around the edge of the first group, again making sure the flowers are all level by bending the wires.
- 7. Repeat with the 10 large wires, once again making sure the flowers are all level as the Queen Anne's lace flower head is virtually flat on top.

For demonstrations purposes two colours have been used to make it easier to see. In the first ring shuttle 1 is yellow cotton in the other two rings shuttle 1 is purple cotton.







Shuttle 1