

Tatted Sweet Pea

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Materials:

Tatting cotton size 20 in the sweet pea colour of your choice, 2 shuttles, 1 8mm round bead, 24 gauge green coated wire, PVA craft glue.

Method:

Large petals:

Wind both shuttles CTM with approx 2 meters on each shuttle.

R1 : 7 -- 7 cl, RW

Ch1 : vsp 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2, RW

R2 : 7 + 7 cl, RW

Ch2 : As Ch1, RW

R3 : As R2, RW

Ch3 : As Ch1, RW

R4 : As R2, RW

Ch4 : vsp LSC 7, lj to vsp of Ch1, TWO, SS, vsp LSC 7, lj to vsp at start of Ch4, DNRW

R5 : As R1, RW

Ch 5 : As Ch1, RW

R6 : As R2, RW

Ch6 : As Ch1, RW

R7 : As R2, RW

Ch7 : As Ch1, RW

R8 : As R2, lj to free vsp of LSC.

Tie ends, dab knot with glue and then trim ends close to knot.



Small petals:

Wind both shuttles CTM with approx 1.5 meters on each shuttle.

R1 : 5 -- 5 cl, RW

Ch1 : vsp 10, RW

R2 : 5 + 5 cl, RW

Ch2 : 10, RW

R3 : As R2, RW

Ch3 : As Ch2, RW

R4 : As R2, RW

Ch4: vsp LSC 5, lj to vsp on Ch1, TWO, SS, vsp LSC 5, lj to vsp at start of Ch4, DNRW

R5 : As R1, RW

Ch5 : As Ch1, RW

R6 : As R2, RW

Ch6 : As Ch1, RW

R7 : As R2, RW

Ch7 : As Ch1, RW

R8 : As R2, lj to free vsp of LSC.

Tie ends, dab knot with glue and then trim ends close to knot.



Centre Pea: (Make 2 pieces)

Wind 1 shuttle with approx 25cm of thread, but do not cut from ball.

Place a paperclip onto the thread to created a very small starting picot and for something to hold whilst beginning the chain.

Ch 5, vsp, 5, carefully remove the paperclip and lj to the tiny picot it has created, vsp, 10, lj to vsp, 10, lj to vsp.

Tie ends, dab knot with glue and then trim ends close to knot.



To make up:

1. Cut a length of wire to approx 12cm and glue a bead to one end.
2. Encapsulate the bead by sticking the two centre pieces, one on each side of the bead, making sure that the two pieces of tatting also sticks to each other around the edge of the bead.
3. Each set of petals naturally bend in one direction. Arrange the large petals to bend outwards and the small petals to bend inwards and glue the small petals on top of the large petals.
4. Glue the centre pea to the centre of the petals and fold shut until dry.
5. When dry open the flower out and arrange into a natural shape.



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