

Carnation

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Materials:

Coats Floretta size 20 in green and red, 2 tatting shuttles, 30 gauge green wire, green florist's tape, paperclip, PVA glue.

Method:

All joins are lock joins i.e. joins made with the core thread.

Inner petals - make three.

With 73 inches of red cotton wind 48 inches onto S1 and 25 inches onto S2 with the continuous thread method (CTM).

With S1 as core thread place paperclip over thread and use S2 over fingers to make stitches.

Ch make first half of ds (without flipping) and draw up to paperclip leaving a very small space, 4 vsp 4 vsp 4 vsp 4 vsp 4 RW, SS.

*Ch vsp 4 + (to vsp on prev ch) vsp 4 + vsp 4 + vsp 4 + vsp 4 + RW, SS.

Rep from * once.

**Ch 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 + (to vsp on prev ch), rep from ** to end.

Tie and cut $\frac{1}{4}$ from knot, glue ends neatly down to wrong side.



Large petal - make one.

With 54 inches of green cotton wind S1 with 22 inches and S2 with 32 inches. CTM
With S1 as core thread place paperclip over thread and use S2 over fingers to make stitches. Place paperclip over thread.

Ch make first half of ds (without flipping) and draw up to paperclip leaving a very small space, 4 vsp 4 vsp 4 vsp 4 vsp 4 RW, SS.

Ch vsp 5 + (to vsp on prev ch) vsp 5 + vsp 5 + vsp 5 + vsp + 5 + RW. SS

Ch vsp 6 + (to vsp on prev ch) vsp 6 + vsp 6 + vsp 6 + vsp + 6 + vsp 1.

Tie and cut $\frac{1}{4}$ from knot, glue ends neatly down to wrong side.

With $3\frac{1}{2}$ yards red cotton fill S1 with 1 yard and S2 with $2\frac{1}{2}$ yards. CTM

J to last vsp made on last ch. With S1 as core thread

Ch vsp 6 + (to vsp on prev ch) vsp 6 + vsp 6 + vsp 6 + vsp 6 + RW. SS

Ch vsp 3 vsp 3 + (to vsp on prev ch) vsp 3 vsp 3 + vsp 3 vsp 3 + vsp 3 vsp 3 + vsp 3 vsp 3 + RW. SS

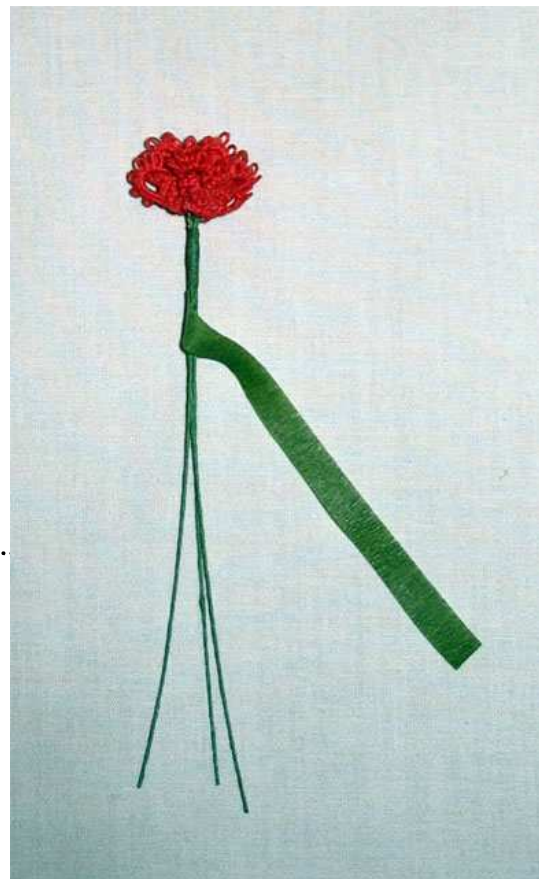
*Ch 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 + (to vsp on prev ch) rep from * to end.

Tie and cut $\frac{1}{4}$ from knot, glue ends neatly down to wrong side.



To Make Up:

1. Cut 3 wires approx 4 inches long.
2. Place a line of glue along the bottom edge on one of the smaller, inner petals and wind it tightly around one of the wires.
3. Repeat for the other two inner petals.
4. Group the three wired inner petals together and tape together with the florist's tape.
5. Place a line of glue along the bottom edge of the outer petal and wind around the base of the group of three petals taking care to glue as close to the wire as possible.
6. When dry, fluff out the petals into a natural shape.



TATTING ABBREVIATIONS

r	.	ring	lp	.	long
picot					
lr	.	large ring	ch	.	chain
sr	.	small ring	sp	.	space
ds	.	double stitch	sep	.	
		separated			
p	.	picot	cl	.	close
smp	.	small picot	rw	.	reverse
work					
prev	.	previous	sp r	.	split ring