

Itty Bitty Belle

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- LJ lock join
- + join
- cl r close ring
- RW reverse work
- SLT shoe lace trick

Directions for body:

Shuttle Tatters: Place 3 seed beads on ball of tatting thread. Wind 1 yard (1 meter) tatting thread on shuttle CTM with ball. Place paper clip on thread between shuttle and ball. Leave the paper clip on the tatting thread until you are asked to remove it.

Needle Tatters: Place 3 seed beads on ball of tatting thread. Thread tatting needle on ball of tatting thread CTM with 1 yard (1 meter) of thread in loop (Rings and Chains Method). Place paper clip on thread in loop. Leave the paper clip on the loop thread until you are asked to remove it.

Materials:

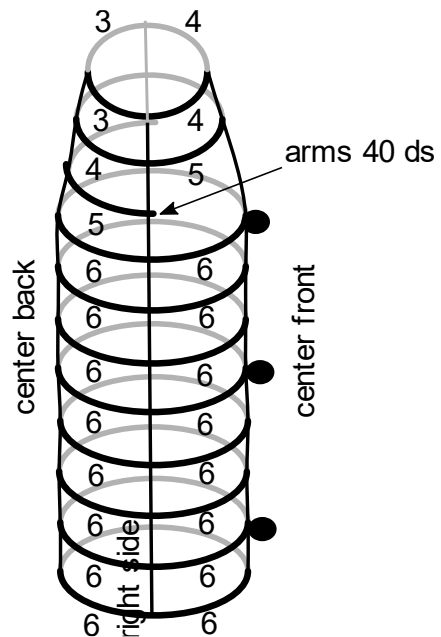
- 1 tatting shuttle, or
- 1 tatting needle
- 1 ball size 20 tatting thread
- 1 paper clip
- 3 seed beads
- 4" (10cm) of 7/8" (2cm) wide ribbon
- Sewing thread
- Sewing needle (sharp point)
- Cotton ball
- Small button (1/4" or 5mm diameter)
- Wooden Bead or plain bead (1/2" or 12 to 14mm diameter)

Key:

CTM continuous thread method

Do not cut

- R ring
- Ch chain
- ds double stitch
- d first half of double stitch
- s second half of double stitch
- B seed bead
- vsp very small picot for joining
- larger picot 1/8" (4mm) wide space



Ch 6 ds, vsp, 6 ds, vsp, 6 ds, vsp, 6 ds.
Remove paper clip and LJ into space left by paper clip. This is the back.

Ch 6 ds, LJ to first vsp, 6 ds, LJ to second vsp, 1d B 1s 5 ds, LJ to third vsp, 6 ds, LJ at back.

Ch 6 ds, LJ at first LJ, 6 ds, LJ a second LJ, 6 ds, LJ at third LJ, 6 ds, LJ at back.

Ch 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ at back.

Ch 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 1d B 1s 5 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ at back.

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Ch 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ at back.

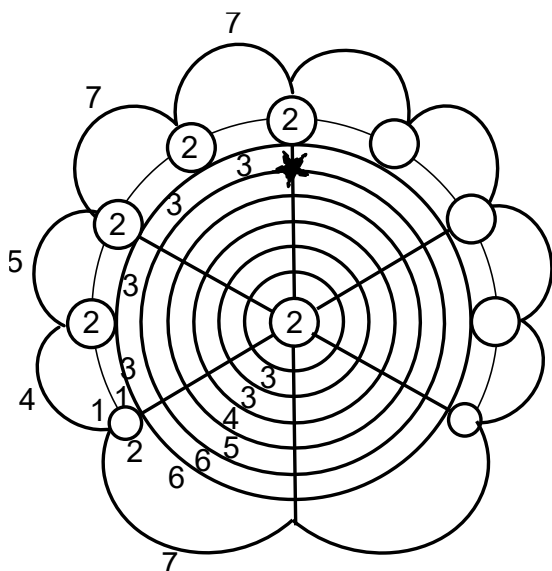
Ch 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 1d B 1s 5 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ at back.

Ch 5 ds, LJ at side, SLT, arms: 40 ds, SLT, LJ at other side, 5 ds, LJ at back.

Ch 4 ds, LJ at side, 5 ds, LJ at center front, 5 ds, LJ at other side, 4 ds, LJ at back.

Ch 3 ds, LJ at side, 4 ds, LJ at center front, 4 ds, LJ at other side, 3 ds, LJ at back.

Cut, tie, and hide thread ends inside of body.



Directions for hat:

Shuttle Tatters: Wind 2 yards tating thread on shuttle CTM with ball.

Needle Tatters: Thread tating needle on ball of tating thread CTM with 1 ½ yards of thread in loop (Rings and Chains Method).

R 2 ds, vsp, 2 ds, vsp, 2 ds, vsp, 2 ds, vsp, 2 ds, vsp, 2 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 3 ds, LJ at last vsp, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ at base of R.

Ch 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, LJ at beginning of this chain. The hat will start to cup with this round which is what you want to happen.

Ch 4 ds, LJ, 4 ds, LJ, 4 ds, LJ, 4 ds, LJ, 4 ds, LJ, 4 ds, LJ.

Ch 5 ds, LJ, 5 ds, LJ, 5 ds, LJ, 5 ds, LJ, 5 ds, LJ, 5 ds, LJ.

Ch 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ.

Ch 6 ds, LJ, 3 ds, vsp, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, vsp, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, vsp, 3 ds, LJ, 3 ds, vsp, 3 ds, LJ, 6 ds, LJ.

Hat Brim:

Ch 7 ds. RW.

R 2 ds +(to first LJ of previous round) 1 ds – 1 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 4 ds. RW.

R 2 ds +(to – of previous R) 2 ds +(to vsp of previous round) 2 ds – 2 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 5 ds. RW.

R 2 ds +(to – of previous R) 2 ds +(to LJ of previous round) 2 ds – 2 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 7 ds. RW.

R 2 ds +(to – of previous R) 2 ds +(to vsp of previous round) 2 ds – 2 ds, cl r. RW.
Ch 7 ds. RW.

R 2 ds +(to – of previous R) 2 ds +(to LJ of previous round at center front) 2 ds – 2 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 7 ds. RW.

R 2 ds +(to – of previous R) 2 ds +(to vsp of previous round) 2 ds – 2 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 7 ds. RW.

R 2 ds +(to – of previous R) 2 ds +(to LJ of previous round) 2 ds – 2 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 5 ds. RW.

R 2 ds +(to – of previous R) 2 ds +(to vsp of previous round) 2 ds – 2 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 4 ds. RW.

R 1 ds +(to – of previous R) 1 ds +(to LJ of previous round) 2 ds, cl r. RW.

Ch 7 ds. LJ to back of hat.

Cut, tie, and hide thread ends.



Construction of Belle:

Fold ribbon in half, right sides together and matching short ends. Thread $\frac{1}{2}$ yard (.5 meter) of sewing thread on the sewing needle and place a knot in the end of the sewing thread. Do a short running stitch across the short ends of the ribbon about $\frac{1}{4}$ " (5mm) in from the cut ends. Tie the sewing thread at the opposite end of the seam, but do not cut it off.

Do another row of running stitches with the sewing thread around the top edge of the ribbon. Pull on the sewing thread to gather the top edge of the ribbon. Tie the sewing thread to hold the gathers in place. This is Belle's skirt. Set it aside.

Using bits of the cotton ball, lightly stuff Belle's body.

Thread two $\frac{1}{2}$ yard (.5 meter) lengths of sewing thread (or one length $\frac{1}{2}$ yard (.5 meter) of size 20 tatting thread) on the sewing needle. While hanging on to one end of the doubled thread, sew the needle through one hole of your button, the gathered edge of the skirt (the seam of the skirt aligns with Belle's center back), through the stuffed body, and up through the wooden bead for her head. Go around the outside of the wooden bead and knot the doubled thread around Belle's neck. Sew the needle down through Belle's body, down through the gathered edge of the skirt and through the other hole of the button. Tie the two doubled thread ends together.

Cut a length of tatting thread $\frac{1}{2}$ yard (.5 meter) long. Loop over hat at * on graph, place hat on Belle's head, and pull the thread tails through the head (use a needle or crochet hook). Bring thread tails through small rings (one on each side of hat) and tie in a bow under her chin.

