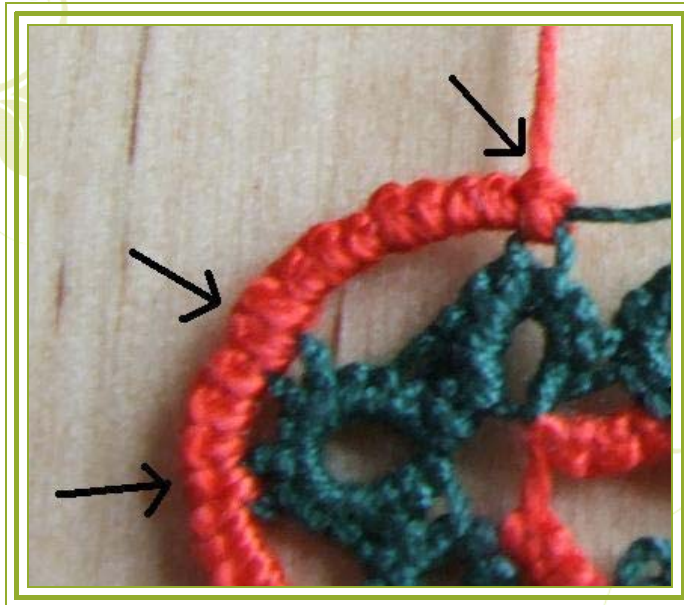


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„Catherine – Wheel – Join“



This Catherine-Wheel-Join is very tricky. When I tried to learn it recently, I've found out two things which helped me to succeed:

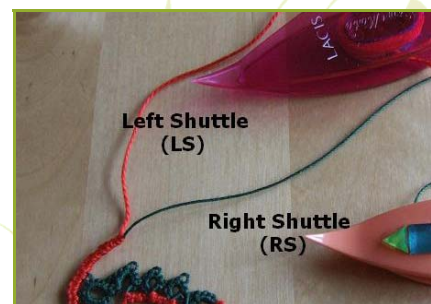
1. what to do with the corethread shuttle and
2. how to pull the loops.

I want to share my way with you and hope this will help you too!

Step 1

I have a shuttle with bright thread on the left hand, I will call this shuttle "the left shuttle (LS)".

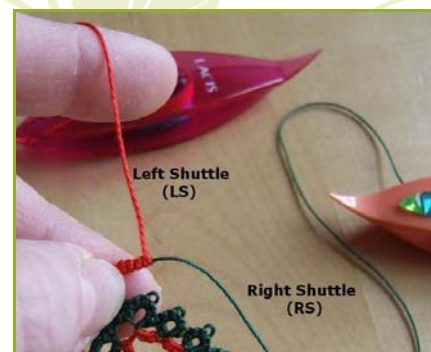
The shuttle in the right hand with the corethread will be called "the right shuttle (RS)".



Step 2

Make the ds of the chain until you reach the picot you want to join to with a Catherine-Wheel-Join (CWJ).

Leave the RS hanging to the right side!



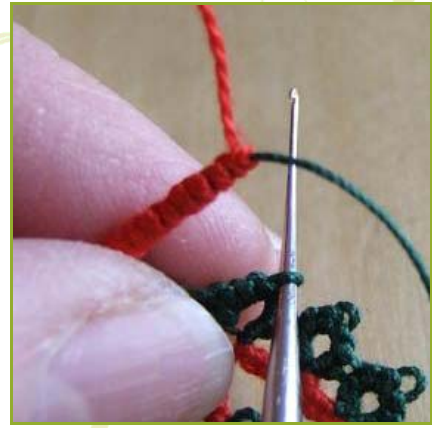
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Step 3

In this step wind the LS-thread around your left hand, to get tension on that thread for being able to hook it.

Take a crochet hook, go from front to back through the picot, **under the thread of RS.**



Step 4

Hook the LS-thread and pull out a loop.



Step 5

Unwind the LS-thread from the left hand. Take care that the loop is not twisted, you can hang it on your left indexfinger or fix the opened loop with your left thumb against your finger.

RS is still hanging to the right side.



Step 6

Move the LS from back to front through the loop.

(Sorry, I had to lay this down, because I have no third hand to take the foto).

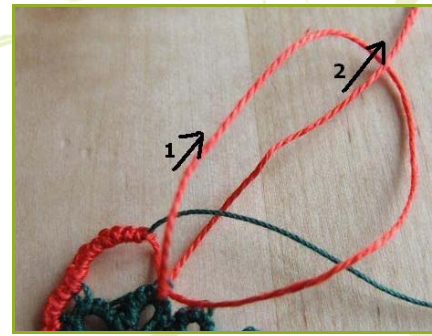


Step 7

Pull the left part of the loop to adjust to the last ds (see arrow 1).

Pull the LS gently to close the loop (see arrow 2).

RS-thread is in between.



Step 8

Wind the LS-thread on your left hand for tension.

RS is still hanging to the right side.

Take the hook and go **from back to front again through the picot.**



Step 9

Hook the LS-thread

and pull a loop

back through the picot to the back.



Step 10

Unwind the LS-thread from the left hand. Elongate the loop.

Take care that it is not twisted, the right side coming from the shuttle, the left side coming from the ds.

If you like, fix the opened loop with your left indexfinger.

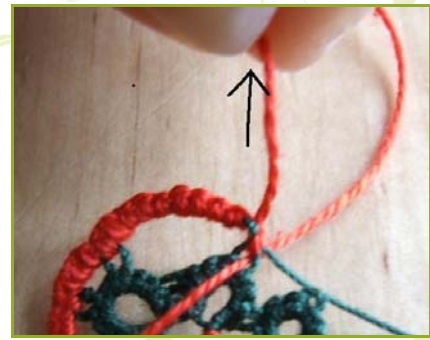
(Arrow = a little "knot" in front of the picot.)



Step 11

Now pull the left part of the loop nice and gently **to push the little "knot"** in front (see arrow step 10) through the picot to the back! Pull until you feel a little "plopp".

(While pulling the loop through with the hook in step 9, you can already "plopp" the "knot" through, this happened to me with very thin thread).



Step 12

Fix the opened loop with your left thumb.

Keep RS hanging to the right side.

Move the LS from front to back through the loop, having the thread of RS in between!



Step 13

Pull the LS gently to close the loop.



Step 14

Now, Catherine-Wheel-Join is done, it looks like a ds. The threads of both shuttles sit in good positions: LS on top, RS on the right side.

Pull the RS and push the CWJ-knot close to the last ds.

Continue with making the next chain.



Have fun and good luck!

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