

Joan's Easy to Remember - Spinoff Snowflake

This is a spin-off from Vida Sunderman's "Flower Snowflake" pattern ([Tatted Snowflakes, 1995](#)).

I kept forgetting to join the points of the star, and the center stitches came out too sloppy for me, so I modified the pattern to make it easier for me. Now I can make this snowflake by memory and in one night without mistakes.

- 2 shuttles, 12 pearl cotton, Anchor 30 or 40.
- Start with the center ring: 12 long picots x 2ds.
*You can use a mock picot, MP, and split ring, SR, to eliminate the knot.
If you don't use the MP/SR method, then join a ring to a picot of center ring.*
- Rest of the rings are either 5ds-5ds, or 5ds P 5ds.
Join rings to every other picot.
- All chains are 3P separated by 2ds, except for the point chains, those are 5P by 2ds.
- Reverse work as needed to keep snowflake flat.

Have fun!

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How did I begin tatting? In 1997 at the Craft Basket, I picked up a little DMC Tatting booklet, shuttle, and thread. I didn't get very far, I couldn't "make it flip" and my rings wouldn't slide. Only two libraries in CT had any tatting books...so I soon looked online for a Yahoo group and found Betsy Evans - she lived right here in Newtown! She got me started with a few one on one sessions; I thought I would never catch on. Soon after in 1998, I went to the first annual Finger Lakes "Tatting Convention" weekend in Hector NY. I took a beginner's lesson there and came home with knotted threads, the tatting and shuttle collection fever, and a few new NY friends.

We called ourselves the Nutmeggers – Linda V., Jeanne Z., Betsy, Pat M. and Phyllis C. We meet a few times a year to share new techniques, our work, patterns, threads, chocolate, and stories of our lives. *I'm thankful for them all!*

In 2014, after a move from CT to OK, I joined a fantastic tatting community, the [Lacemakers Guild of Oklahoma](#). Those ladies introduced me to so much more in the world of Lace. In 2018, I joined [IOLI](#) and started my tatting proficiency journey.

While I try to keep a log of my tatting activity online, <http://www.bebpublishing.com/tatting.html>, there is nothing like seeing the real thing.

ENJOY! Joan ☺

