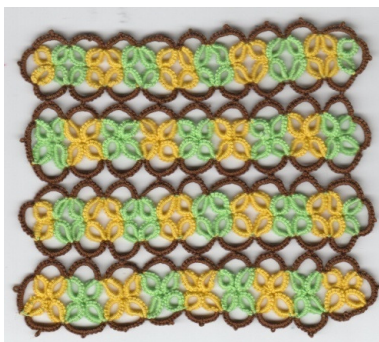


Hugs & Kisses Mug Rug

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Remember putting X's and O's on the bottom of a letter for hugs and kisses? Well look at the picture above. When the four joined rings are all the same color they look like an X, when the two joined on one side are different than the other two joined to them the four rings the same color look like an O – hugs and kisses.

Materials:

3 colors of size 20 thread

Double Bobbin Shuttle (Wind each bobbin with a different color thread and cut from ball. Third color will be worked from the ball)

Hook for joining

Abbreviations:

R Ring

Ch Chain

- Joining Picot

-- Long picot (will have multiple rings joined here)

+ Join

[] items to be repeated or worked as in direction after brackets

Note on color placement:

The strips with the O's are worked ring 1 in color 1, rings 2 & 3 in color 2, rings 4 & 5 color 1, rings 6 & 7 in color 2. Continue on working 2 rings in one color, than 2 rings in the other color following the established pattern.

The strips with the X's are worked rings 1 & 2 in color 1, 3 & 4 in color and continue on in this pattern until you are turning from one side of the strip to the other. Those 4 rings are the same color, then resume working 2 rings in each color.

Strip 1, side 1:

R: 8 - - 8

[Ch: 6 - 6

R: 8 + 8

R: 8 - - 8]

Repeat until a total of 17 rings have been worked for the sample shown. For a mini mug work a total of 9 rings and work 3 strips..

Turning at end:

[Ch: 6 - 6

R: 8 + (to same picot) 8]

Work 3 times (4 rings joined together)

Strip 1, Side 2:

[R: 8 + (to next group of rings) 8

Ch: 6 - 6

R: 8 + (to same picot as last join) 8]

Repeat until you have worked the 4th ring joined to the beginning group.

Ch: 6 - 6, join to base of first ring.

Cut, tie and hide ends.

Strip 2, side 1:

Work same as strip 1, side 1, including corner.

Strip 2, side 2:

Work as for strip 1 side 2 except that chains are 6 +6 joining to previous strip chains. Do not join to the chain that goes from side 1 to side 2, the final chain of the strip. Joining begins with chain 11, the chain after ring 18. Do not join the final chain. Note that if you started with less rings there are less chains to join to.

Strips 3 & 4:

Work same as strip 2.

This picture shows a finished strip. Arrow 1 shows where the strip is started, arrow 2 shows the direction of the work as you are looking at the right side (working the rings), arrow 3 shows which chain will be the first one worked joining to the previous strip and arrow 4 is the last chain joined to previous chains for strip 2 and following strips.

