

## Dainty Snowflake Earrings



Materials needed for one pair of earrings: 4 yards of #80 thread, 120 size 13/0 or 15/0 charlottes or true cuts, 2 earring findings, 4 jump rings, beads of your choice for the “dangles”, if desired (I used 4mm bicones and 2-3mm seed pearls), standard tatting kit.

Before starting, link two jump rings together. Wind one yard of thread onto your shuttle CTM with 30 beads and the joined rings. The other beads remain on the ball thread. Commence with the ring. Be sure to remember to slide the five beads for the ring onto the thread over your left hand before commencing to tat the ring.

R: 2 o 2 ± 2 ooo 2 ± 2 o 2.

Close the ring, reverse work and start your chain:

C: 3 o 3 ooo 3 o 3.

Make six repeats for a snowflake. When you get to the fourth ring, slide the two jump rings along with the five beads for the ring over your left hand. Now your jump rings will be attached to the proper place when you finish tatting your earring. Leave a couple of good-sized tails (long enough to load your dangles and make an overhand knot). Thread your dangly bits onto the tails. Tie an overhand knot, and snug up to the bottom of your dangle. Secure with a tiny dab of white glue. Clip ends off when glue has set.

Connect to earring findings when finished. Voila! You have dainty snowflakes!

