

Offs Finger-Purse No. 2

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Another very dainty purse is entirely of tatting, using No. 40 ecru crochet thread. Start at the center of rose.

Abbreviations:

R=ring
CH=chain
"-"=picot
"+"=join
rw=reverse work
p=picot(according to pattern stated)
clr=close ring

Center Ring

R: 2--2--2--2--2--2, clr. Tie and work in ends.

Row#1

Tie shuttle and ball threads to picot of center ring.

CH: 6+(to next p)

Repeat around.

CH: 8+(to next p joining)

Repeat around.

CH: 10+(to next p joining)

Repeat around.

CH: 3-2-2-2-3+(to next p joining)

Repeat around. This completes the rose. Tie and work in ends.

Row#2

R: 3-3+(to 1st p of CH of Row#1)3-3, clr, rw

CH: 4-2-2-2-4, rw

R: 3-3+(to 3rd p of same CH of Row#1)3-3, clr, rw

CH: 4-2-2-2-4, rw

Repeat rings and chains around, joining 2 rings to each chain of Row#1. Join last chain at base of 1st ring. Tie and work in ends.

Row#3

R: 4-4+(to 2nd p of Ch of Row#2)4-4, clr, rw

CH: 4-2-2-2-4, rw

R: 4-4+(to 4th p of same Ch of Row#2)4-4, clr, rw

Repeat rings and chains around, joining 2 rings to each chain of Row#2. Join last chain at base of 1st ring. Tie and work in ends. Up to this point both sides are the same

Row#4

R: 3+(to 4th p of last CH in Row#3)3+(to 3rd p of same CH)3-3, clr

R: 3+(to last p of prev R)2-2-2-2-3, clr

R: 3+(to last p of prev R)3-3-3, clr, rw

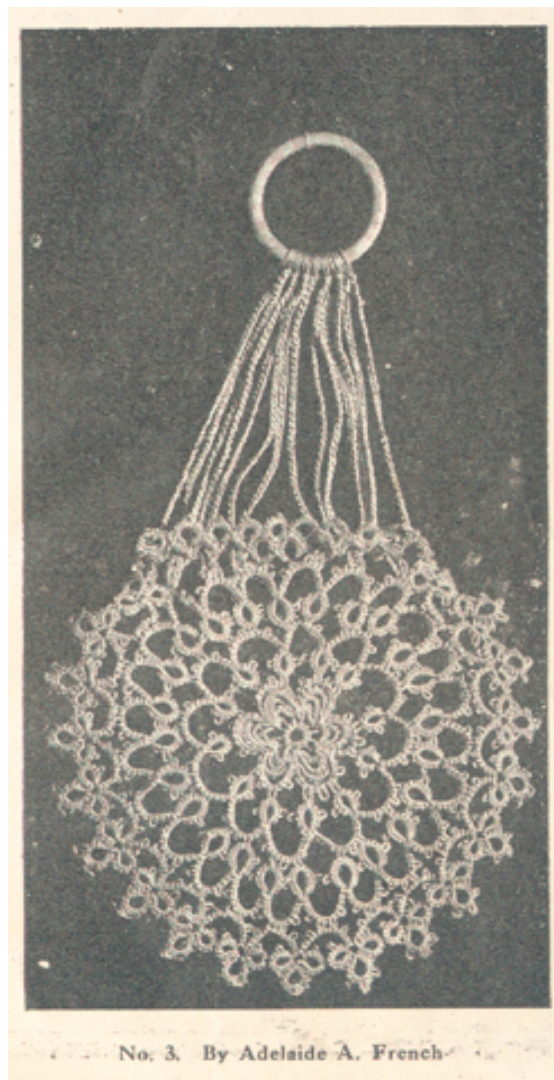
CH: 4-2+(to 2nd p of next CH of Row#3)2+(to next p of same CH)2-4, rw

R: 3-3+(to middle p of last R of prev cloverleaf)3-3, clr

R: 3+(to last p of prev R)2-2-2-2-3, clr

R: 3+(to last p of prev R)3-3-3, clr, rw

Repeat, alternating cloverleaves and chains, joining as directed, until you have completed the 19th cloverleaf, joining the 3rd ring of same by 2nd and 3rd picots to 2nd and 1st picots of chain in last row, leaving 4 free chins across the top. Tie and work in ends.



Make the other medallion or side in the same way, joining to first side by middle picot of 2nd ring of each cloverleaf. Straighten the top of the medallion which is to serve as the back of the purse in the following way:

Fasten threads in the 4th picot of 2nd ring of last cloverleaf

CH: 4

R: 3-3+(to the same p with middle p of last R of same cloverleaf)3-3, clr, rw

CH: 7+(to 2nd p of 1st free CH)2+(to next p of same CH)

Repeat rings and chains across, ending with a ring and a chain of 4ds, joined as at beginning of the row. Tie and work in ends.

Along this edge make a row of 10 rings:

R: 4-4-4-4(joining to preceding ring by 1st picot, joining to the chain at the base and missing 5 stitches of chain between, or a sufficient number to make the rings lie flat and smooth)

For the 2nd row of rings, fasten thread in picot which joins 1st 2 rings of last row:

R: 4+(to middle p of 1st R)4-4+(to middle p of 2nd R)4, clr, joining to picot where you started.

Draw thread carefully across to the picot joining next 2 rings, and repeat, making 9 rings. This completes the flap.

The chains, about two and one half inches long, are fastened to 2nd ring of 1st and last cloverleaves at each side of top, and to the chains between, passing through the rings of 1st row of flap, missing the 2 center rings, and being joined to the ivory ring above, as directed.