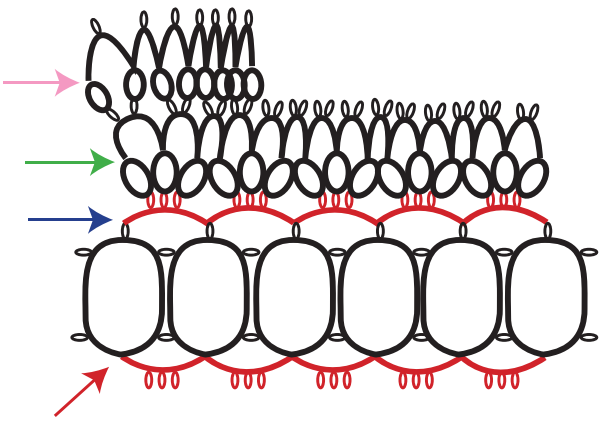


Wedding Garter

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Here is a rough sketch of something I just came up with, because I couldn't find one that would work. Just about any edging that has a row of rings that creates a "beading" will work for a garter. All you have to do is add on rows to make it wider. To make it ruffle, just add extra rings and chains so it starts "flowing" back and forth on itself.

I will hypothetically write out this pattern, but haven't tried it myself to see how close it is. Like I said, it is just a rough sketch and pattern. Give it a try.

Row#1 (red arrow)

*r,5-8-3-3-8-5,cl r,rw

ch,3-2-2-3,rw

r,5+(join to last picot of prev ring)8+

(join to next picot of prev ring)3-3-8-5,cl r,rw

ch,3-2-2-3,rw*

Repeat from *-* for desired length.

Row#2 (blue arrow)

Join at middle picot of ring in row#1.

ch,3-2-2-3

Join at middle picot of next ring in row#1

Continue for the length of lace.

Row#3 (green arrow)

*r,4+(join to 1st picot of 1st chain in row#2)4,cl r,rw

ch,3-2-3,rw

r,4+(join to next picot of 1st chain in row#2)4,cl r,rw

ch,3-2-3,rw*

Repeat from *-* joining to each picot of the chains in row#2 for the length of lace.

Row#4 (pink arrow)

*r,4+(join to 1st picot of 1st chain in row#3)4,cl r,rw

ch,3-3,rw

r,4+(join to next picot of 1st chain in row#3)4,cl r,rw

ch,3-3,rw*

Repeat from *-* joining to each picot of the chains in row#3 for the length of lace.

To finish the garter, cover a length of elastic with satin in the color of your choice. Thread the covered elastic in and out of the large ring beading. Sew the ends together.