

Ribbon Candy Earrings

A Mixed Media Project



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Cut threads and any leftover zipper coil, then attach earring finding while tying thread ends together in a square knot. Hide thread ends.

Make second earring. The zipper coil provides enough tension that blocking usually is not necessary.

Materials:

- 1 ball size 20 tatting thread
- 2 shuttles or 1 tatting needle
- Coil-style zipper

Key:

CTM	continuous thread method
R	ring
ds	double stitch
cl r	close ring
+	alligator join
SR	split ring

Directions:

Deconstruct zipper to use the nylon coil as a decorative element for the earrings. The nylon coils are sewn onto the fabric base using a chain stitch which is easily removed. Also carefully remove the threads inside the coil.

Cut 2 yards of tatting thread off the ball and wind both shuttles with 3/4 yard of tatting thread CTM. Or cut 2 yards of tatting thread off the ball and thread onto the tatting needle (rings and thread method).

R 6 ds +(alligator join end of the zipper coil [2 teeth from end]) 6 ds, cl r. Leave about 1" (2.5 mm) of zipper coil and alligator join coil to tatting.