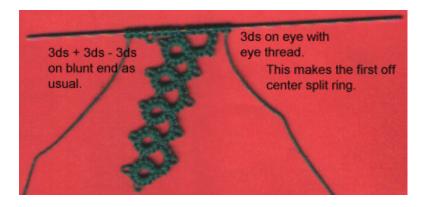
This Tutorial is working with One Needle and off the ball. First printed on Needle Tatting with Tatman aka Roger ©2001

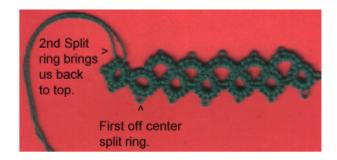
This tree is worked from the bottom with 7 rings and 6 chains, this will show you were the splits have to be made as you use the continuous thread method to work up to the top ring, using split rings and chains.



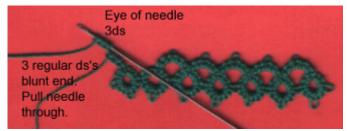
Work your rings and chains up until the last two. In this case I have done 5 rings, and 5 chains. My 6th ring is going to be a off center split ring.3ds + 3ds - 3ds / 3ds on eye of needle, close.



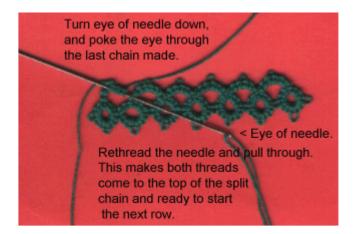
Now the 7th ring is made off the side, doing next split ring 3ds - 3ds - 3ds / 3ds on eye of needle, close.



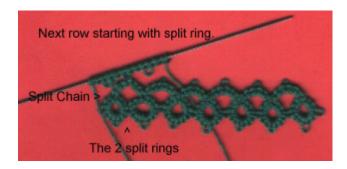
To make the split chain, make 3ds on the blunt end on the needle, slide it off and shape the half chain. UN-thread the eye of the needle, and place it on the first half of the chain and using the eye thread make 3ds.



Now just turn the position of the needle from that left position to the right. Put the eye of the needle in the base of the 6th ring and last chain made. Re- Thread the needle and pull it through. This brings the needle thread up so the two threads are in the center of the split chain.



Once you have the split shaped and both sides together. Start the next split ring. 3ds - 3ds / 3ds - 3ds Work across until the last two ring and make them split rings as you did on the first row. Continue up the tree and you will see once you reach the 5th row you will have the 1st split up, chain and then the two split rings. On the 6th row you will do a off center split and then the other ring, split chain and that brings you to the top ring.



Tree Split Rings and Split Chains Using One Needle, working off the ball.

We should all know the basic rings and chains, so this will be a quick description for of the work. If you have problems understanding some of the terms please check some of the tutorial out, or ask on the message board.

All work except the split are regular rings and chains. Rings of 3ds 3p's sep. by 3ds each and chains of 3ds p 3ds. Do not turn/reverse work where it does not have it.

1st round: 7 ring and 6 chains

Work across for 5 rings 3ds p 3ds p 3ds p 3ds cl rw and 5 chains 3ds p 3ds cl rw.

6th ring is off center split ring of 3ds + 3ds p 3ds / on eye 3ds cl

7th split ring 3ds p 3ds p 3ds / on eye 3ds cl

Split chain 3ds slide off needle. UN-Thread needle and place eye near the first 3ds and with needle thread make 3ds, turn needle and place eye in the base of the 6th chain made, and re-thread slide off needle and the two threads are now meeting. RW

2nd round: 6 rngs and 5 chains

Split ring of 3ds p 3ds / 3ds p 3ds cl rw

Make regular chains and rings across for 3 more, last two rings are splits, and then the split chain again.

3rd round: 5 rings and 4 chains

Split ring of 3ds p 3ds / 3ds p 3ds cl rw

Work across for 2 more regular rings and chains, then the two splits rings, and split chain.

4th round: 4 rings and 3 chains

Split ring of 3ds p 3ds / 3ds p 3ds cl rw

Work 1 more ring and chain then the two splits and the split chain.

5th round: 3rings and 2 chains

Split ring of 3ds p 3ds p / 3ds p 3ds cl rw Make two split rings and split chain.

6th round: 2 rings and 1 chain

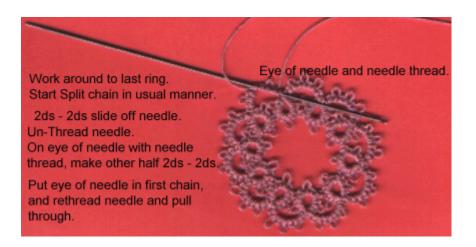
Make 3ds p 3ds p 3ds / 3ds

3ds + 3ds p 3ds/3ds and split chain and make your top ring.

Top ring can be made as a split so you have thread at the top to use as a hanger if hanging on tree.

Do 3ds p 3ds /3ds p 3ds

Working out of a center motif would be the same thing, work up until the last chain to be made. Do half the split chain on the blunt side, un-thread the needle and hold the eye next to the first half and make the second half. Re-Thread the needle and pull through.



Now your back to the center of the split chain, you can continue with the next round, in this case we made a split ring and then we could do our chain and our next ring in the usual manner.

