

Beginner Workshop – Egg

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5 pair bobbins wound with different colors of thread, no more than 30 inches on each bobbin.
DMC 8 or Anchor 20 Tatting Thread.

Hang 2 pair on the first pin and 1 pair on the remaining 3 pins. Beginning on the left, work in half stitch (XT) with no extra twists at the pinholes. Push earlier pins down into the pillow when you need working room. After the last row, make sewings with a crochet hook into the beginning pinhole loops. Do not remove pins from your project until it is completely worked.

If you wish to have a candy stripe dangle for your bead, make sure you have 4 bobbins in two colors at the bottom of the joining. This can be done by manipulating the threads in the direction you desire. Threads can be made into a bundle with half hitches up and down. I used 4 threads for the hanging loop and cut off 2 threads. The 4 threads used for the plaited dangle should be started with two of the same color in the center. The plait is worked as long as you prefer, depending on the size of your bead. The bead is threaded onto all 4 threads and then a large knot is tied at the bottom. Beads were made by hand from Fimo clay.

