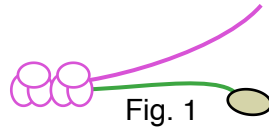
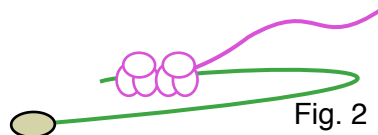


This method removes the need to tie a knot and also enables the tatter to hide one of the final ends. It can be used for the chain, ring, split ring and SCMR. Probably other techniques too - will update the page when I hear of other uses!

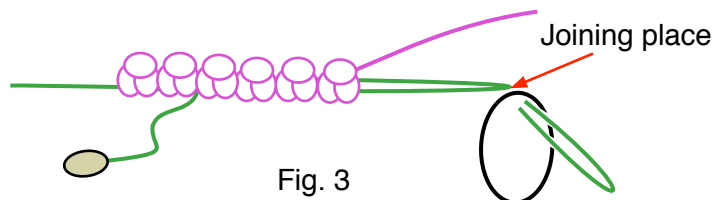
1. Start the final chain (including any picots) as usual but only work 2 or 3 doubles. See fig. 1.



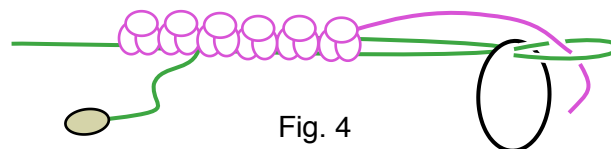
2. Take a loop of the core thread leaving the shuttle to the left (fig. 2). If required a post shuttle can be inserted into the loop to make tatting the rest of the chain faster.



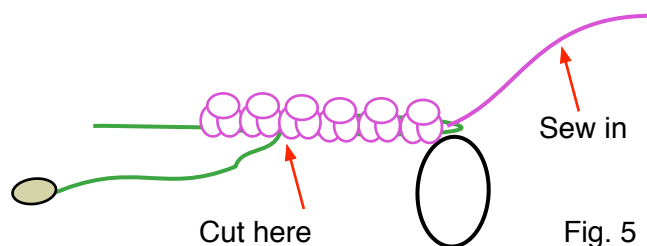
3. Continue working the rest of the chain. Now pull this loop through the joining place as stated in the pattern. This is probably the base of a ring on a previous round - Fig. 3.



4. Now take the chain thread through the loop.



5. Pull the shuttle thread back through the chain until it snugs up and 'traps' the chain thread. Now cut the shuttle thread at the point shown in fig. 5.



Now you only have one end (the chain thread) to sew into either the first ring or chain of the previous round.

For a split ring work the first half for two or three doubles, then double the working shuttle thread to form a loop as above.

Continue to work that first half of the split ring followed by the second half as usual. Then join to the element as shown on the pattern and continue from figure 3.

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