

Closing the Ring

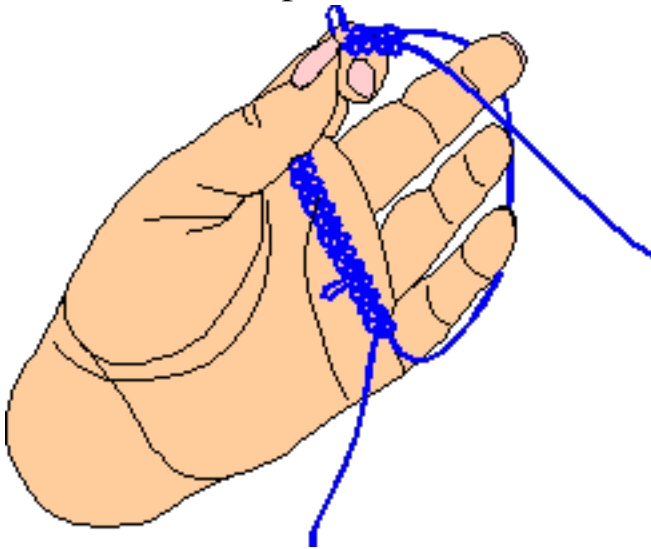
Once you have completed the number of stitches in the ring it is time to close the ring.

These are **right handed** directions.

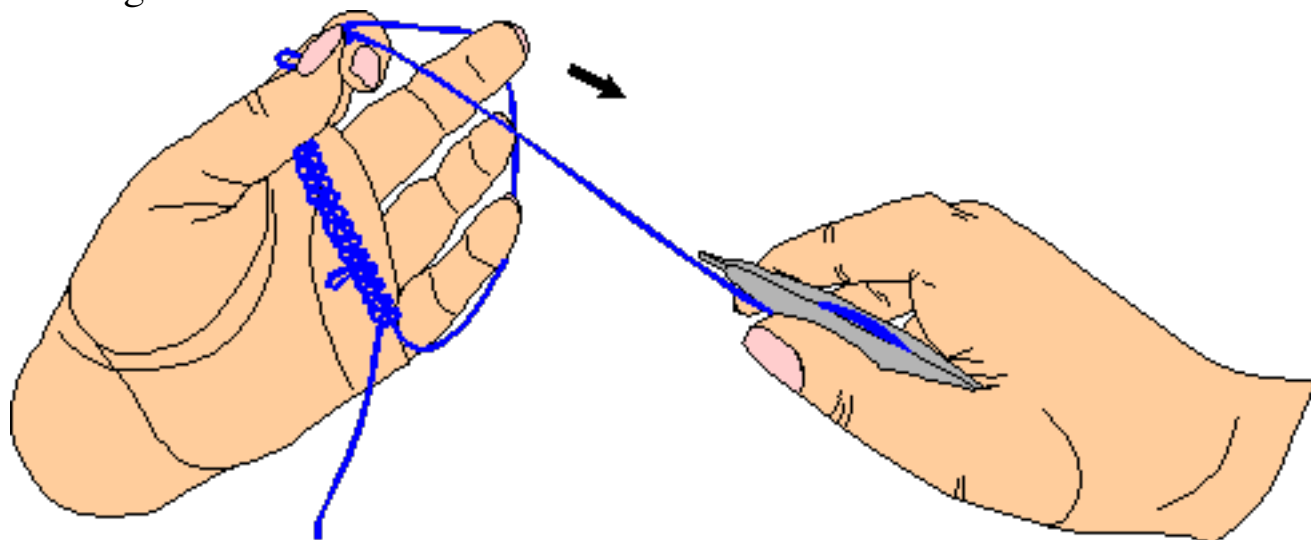
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Refer back to the picot pages for a refresher on picots. [Right handed Picots](#).

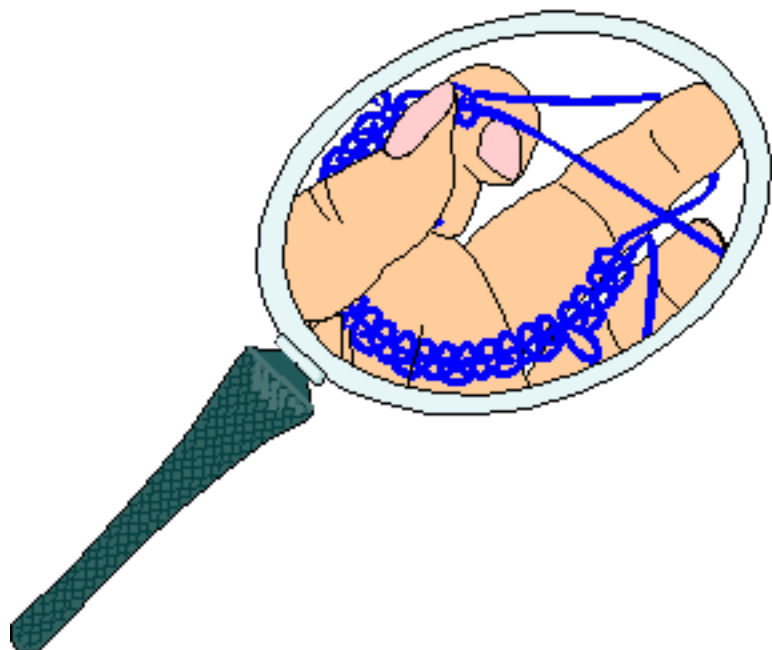
This practice ring has 2 stitches, a picot, 5 stitches another picot, 5 more stitches another picot and then 2 final stitches.

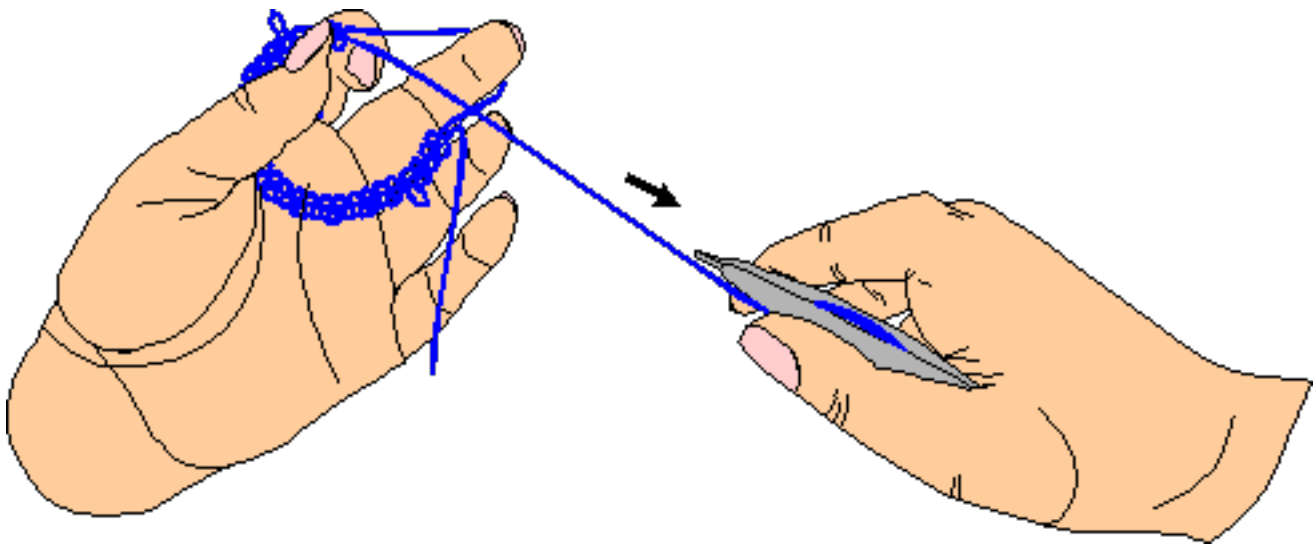


Loosen the tension on your left pinky. With your right hand, pull the shuttle thread gently while holding the last stitch between your left thumb and forefinger.

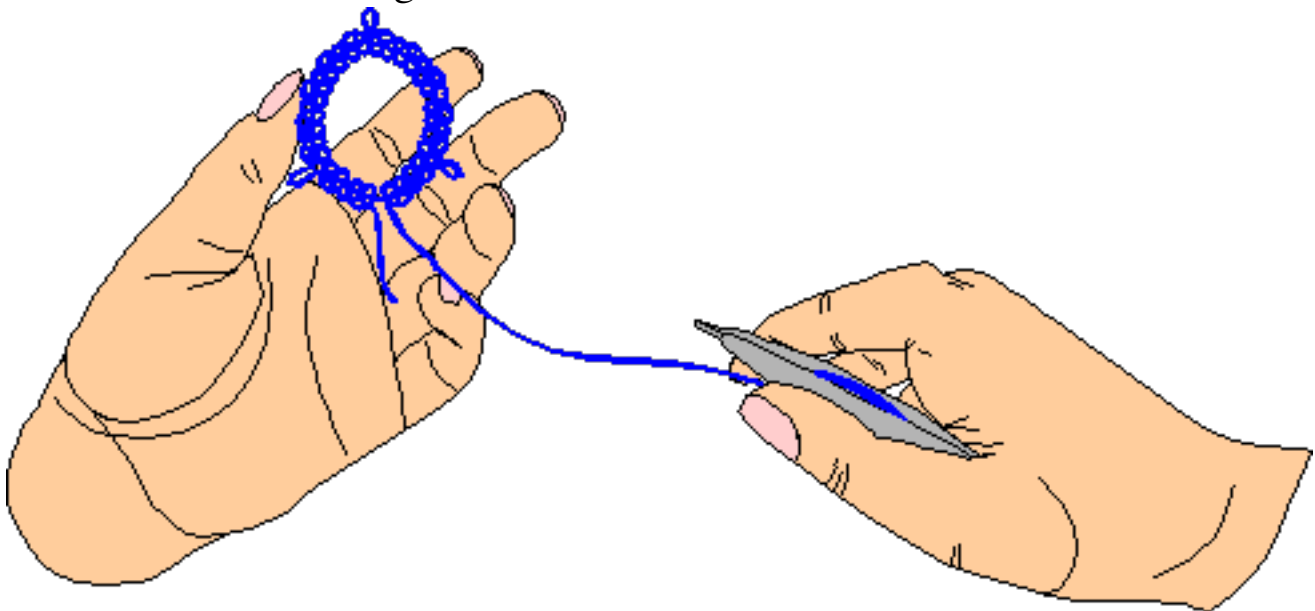


Do not pull too tightly. It will not come apart once you have pulled it into a ring. As a matter of fact, if you make a mistake and want to start over, it is easier to cut off the partially closed ring than to try and pick out the stitches. I had to get out the big magnifying glass for this.





Here is the finished ring.



I hope this has helped you learn to tat.

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