This easy little guy will delight any gardener and won’t eat the plants! He is tatted with a yard or two of any thread in any color or variegated colors.

Shuttle and ball CTM or needle tatting.

Start at (A) Chain (20 - 30 +) Alligator join (B) to the picot of this chain section. Tat the 2nd half of the DS on the far side of the chain from where you started, then you can continue tatting with the chain securely joined but crossing over itself.

Continue tatting until you have enough chain to loop around four times. This is LAZY tatting. You don’t have to count the stitches!

Weave the chain around and through as shown in the diagram. The lighter grey indicates weaving the chain through the knot.

Cut from the ball leaving some thread to finish tatting enough chain to weave through. Use these thread ends to weave the Celtic Knot. The snail has one join, and a longer chain that weaves through around the outside loops of the knot.

After weaving the knot continue tatting enough chain to weave through the outside 3 loops of this knot, and a little bit more for the neck of the snail as shown in the photo above. Does a snail have a neck???

He is finished with a ring or a split ring for the head and the thread ends are antennae. Split ring (3 / 3)

Tie an overhand knot in each thread end, and then another overhand knot for the end of the antenna. Cut next to the knots. No ends to hide!