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Adding in New Thread Without a Knot © Jane Eborall 2013

For Rings

Work until you need thread for the next ring.

Let the chain (or second shuttle/ball thread) and the shuttle thread hang whilst you take the new shuttle thread and loop it round the core thread at the end of the previous element. (If you don't have a second shuttle just remove the thread from the one that's run out of thread and re-wind that but leave the remaining thread for a while.)

Take the new shuttle thread round the hand as usual and make the first half of a double stitch covering the end.

Now gently pull the original shuttle thread and move this first half of the double stitch close to the end of the previous element.

Cut the original shuttle thread leaving approximately ³/₄" of thread and position the short end to lie parallel with the end of the new shuttle thread end and the thread running round the hand. Work the second half of the first double stitch and the remaining stitches as stated in the pattern covering **BOTH** ends.

Try to cover the ends as far as possible and cut one end, work another stitch or two before cutting the last end for a smoother look.

Before cutting away the excess just check that the first half of the first double is still lying close to the previous element. If not – another gentle tug on the shortened original shuttle thread will rectify that.

For Chains

Work up until the new thread is required for the chain.

Wrap the new chain thread round the SHUTTLE thread leaving a small end of approximately 3/4". Cut original chain thread to the same length and work the next few double stitches over both ends. Before starting the next element make sure (by pulling the shuttle thread) that the doubles lie close to the previous element.