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A small Christmas tree ornament or brooch. Measures roughly 2 ¼" and will fit into a 2 ½" metal ring if required. No ends to finish off!

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain
Cl	close	RW	Reverse work
SR	Split ring	BBB	Move 3 beads onto picot
+ B	Add bead to picot before joining	vsp	Very small picot
MB	Move bead on core thread	Lj	Lock join
SLT	Shoe lace trick – tie knot		
DP	Down picot - made by doing two first halves of ds, picot, two second halves ds		

Note: - for those who prefer front side/back side tatting the text in italics and red indicates where the worker needs to use the second half of the ds first.

Skills required. Rings, chains, split rings and using beads both on chain and core thread. Also adding beads to picots.

Materials required – 2 shuttles, number 20 thread, size 11 seed beads and feature bead/button for top. Size 20 thread.

Add 44 beads to shuttle 1 thread and 1 to shuttle 2. Further beads required to add to picots.

2 ½ yards on Sh1 & 2 yards on Sh2 wound CTM

Ch: false vsp 2 RW
3 B at back of hand
R1:   2 – 2 BBB MB 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 4 RW
3 B at back of hand
R2:   3 + B (R1) 3 BBB MB 4 – 4 Cl RW
Ch: 4 – 4 RW
3 B at back of hand
R3:   4 + B (R2) 4 BBB MB 4 – 4 Cl RW
Ch: 5 vsp 2 RW
3 B at back of hand
SR4: 4 + B (R3) 4 BBB MB 4 vsp 1 / 4 Cl
3 B at back of hand
R5:   1 + (vsp SR4) 5 BBB MB 9 vsp 1 Cl
1 B at back of hand
SR6: 1 + (vsp R5) 4 B 4 vsp 4 / 4 Cl RW

Fig. 1

Ch: 2 + (vsp last Ch) 5 vsp 1 SLT RW
Ch: + (vsp SR6) 4 DP 11 + (ring if required) 11 (**OR** 22 if not using a ring)
Lj + B (DP) 4 vsp 1 SLT RW
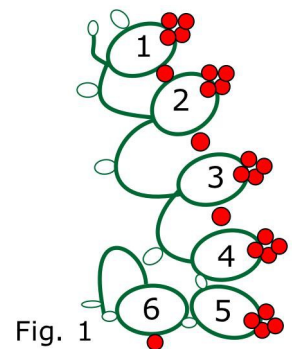*Ch: + (vsp last but one Ch) 5 vsp 2 RW*
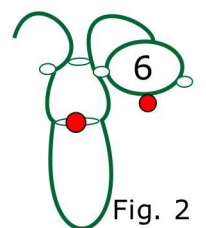
Fig. 2

1 B at back of hand
SR7: 4 + (vsp Ch before last) 4 B 4 vsp 1 / 4 Cl
3 B at back of hand
R8:   1 + (vsp SR7) 9 BBB MB 5 vsp 1 Cl
3 B at back of hand
SR9: 1 + (vsp R8) 4 BBB MB 4 – 4 / 4 Cl RW
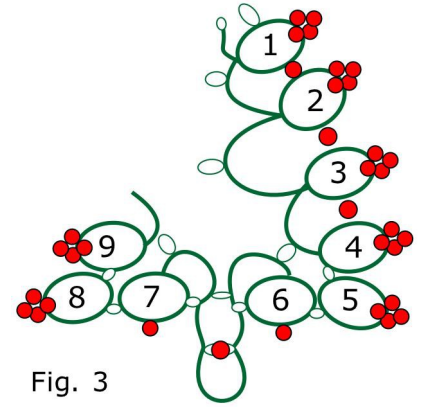*Ch: 2 + (vsp last Ch) 5 RW*

Fig. 3

3 B at back of hand
R10: 4 + B (SR9) 4 BBB MB 4 – 4 Cl RW
Ch: 4 + B (Ch between R2 & R3) 4 RW
3 B at back of hand
R11: 4 + B (R10) 4 BBB MB 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 4 + B (Ch between R1 & R2) 3 RW
3 B at back of hand
R12: 3 + B (R11) 3 BBB MB 2 – 2 Cl RW
Ch: 2 + (vsp at start of 1st Ch) RW
1 B at back of hand
SR13: 2 + B (R12) 4 B 4 / 2 + B (R1) 4 MB (on shuttle 2) 4 Cl
Take both ends through a top feature bead and tie to the opposite side of a ring if using one and make a hanging loop. If not using a ring then tie a knot to form a hanging loop. If using a metal ring then put a dab of glue on both joins to prevent the tree moving.
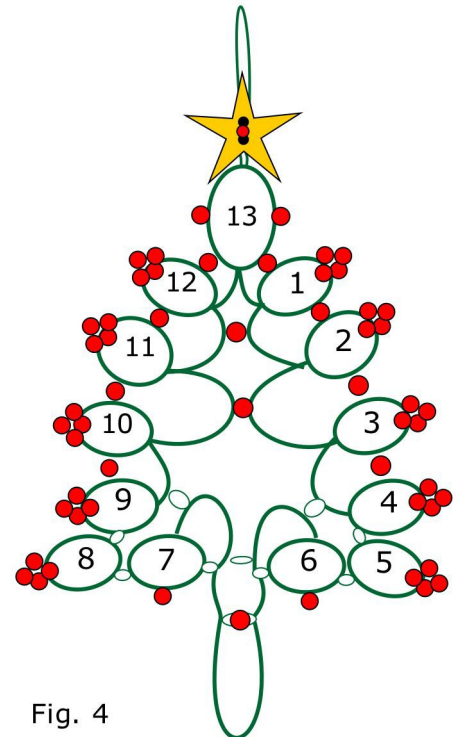
Fig. 4