

The 'Ribbon' Christmas Tree © Jane Eborall 2012



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This idea stems from trees I've seen made with ribbons. I am only adding two drawings to this pattern as it is very repetitious. You will find that in each 'branch' I have added one more split ring. The diagram shows the first two repeats. The 'beadless' split rings are used to assemble the finished tree. Before starting add 52 seed beads to each shuttle.

Materials required – size 20 thread, seed beads and larger beads for the trunk and topping.

Skills required – a knowledge of split rings and an ability to count!!!

Abbreviations

R	Ring	SR	Split ring
B	Bead	Vsp	Very small picot
MB	Move bead into place	Cl	Close
+	Join		



Fig. 1

Row 1

R1: 1 vsp 6 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR2: 1 + (vsp R1) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp R1) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR3: 1 + (vsp SR2) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR2) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR4: 1 + (vsp SR3) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR3) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl

SR5: 1 + (vsp SR4) 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR4) 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

Row 2

SR6: 1 + (vsp SR5) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR5) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR7: 1 + (vsp SR6) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR6) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR8: 1 + (vsp SR7) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR7) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR9: 1 + (vsp SR8) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR8) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl

SR10: 1 + (vsp SR9) 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR9) 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

Row 3

SR11: 1 + (vsp SR10) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR10) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR12: 1 + (vsp SR11) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR11) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR13: 1 + (vsp SR12) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR12) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR14: 1 + (vsp SR13) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR13) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR15: 1 + (vsp SR14) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR14) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl

SR16: 1 + (vsp SR15) 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR15) 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

Row 4

SR17: 1 + (vsp SR16) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR16) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR18: 1 + (vsp SR17) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR17) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR19: 1 + (vsp SR18) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR18) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR20: 1 + (vsp SR19) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR19) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR21: 1 + (vsp SR20) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR20) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR22: 1 + (vsp SR21) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR21) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl

SR23: 1 + (vsp SR22) 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR22) 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

Row 5

SR24: 1 + (vsp SR23) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR23) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR25: 1 + (vsp SR24) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR24) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR26: 1 + (vsp SR25) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR25) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

SR27: 1 + (vsp SR26) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR26) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR28: 1 + (vsp SR27) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR27) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR29: 1 + (vsp SR28) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR28) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR30: 1 + (vsp SR29) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR29) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl
 SR31: 1 + (vsp SR30) 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR30) 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

Row 6

SR32: 1 + (vsp SR31) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR31) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR33: 1 + (vsp SR32) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR32) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR34: 1 + (vsp SR33) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR33) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR35: 1 + (vsp SR34) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR34) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR36: 1 + (vsp SR35) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR35) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR37: 1 + (vsp SR36) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR36) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR38: 1 + (vsp SR37) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR37) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR39: 1 + (vsp SR38) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR38) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl
 SR40: 1 + (vsp SR39) 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR39) 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

Row 7

SR41: 1 + (vsp SR40) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR40) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR42: 1 + (vsp SR41) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR41) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR43: 1 + (vsp SR42) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR42) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR44: 1 + (vsp SR43) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR43) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR45: 1 + (vsp SR44) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR44) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR46: 1 + (vsp SR45) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR45) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR47: 1 + (vsp SR46) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR46) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR48: 1 + (vsp SR47) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR47) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR49: 1 + (vsp SR48) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR48) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl
 SR50: 1 + (vsp SR49) 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR49) 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand

Row 8

SR51: 1 + (vsp SR50) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR50) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR52: 1 + (vsp SR51) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR51) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR53: 1 + (vsp SR52) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR52) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR54: 1 + (vsp SR53) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR53) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR55: 1 + (vsp SR54) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR54) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR56: 1 + (vsp SR55) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR55) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR57: 1 + (vsp SR56) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR56) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR58: 1 + (vsp SR57) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR57) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR59: 1 + (vsp SR58) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR58) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl bead at back of hand
 SR60: 1 + (vsp SR59) 2 B 2 vsp 1 / 1 + (vsp SR59) 2 MB 2 vsp 1 Cl
 SR61: 1 + (vsp SR60) 3 / 1 + (vsp SR60) 3 Cl

To assemble the tree.

Start at the bottom – I use invisible thread. Add the seed bead to the thread. Now take both ends and start adding beads and branches as in figure 2. Which beads you use are your choice but each branch needs one in between. Take the thread through the non beaded R1, SR's 5, 10, 15, 22, 30, 39, 49 & 61. After SR61 add a 'fancy' bead for the star at the top and add a further seed bead. Now tie a knot to keep them all in place and then tie a loop for hanging the tree.

