Baby Elephant NO Onion Ring – Jane Eborall © 2012

This is one of a series of 3 similar designs (an owl and a flying pig) which are also in this set. Originally designed using the onion ring technique I have now amended these so they can be worked with chains instead.

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Materials required:- No. 20 thread, one small bead for eye, 2 shuttles. The completed elephant measures approx. 2" x 1 ½".
Skills required – split rings, rings on split rings, CTJ (see below)
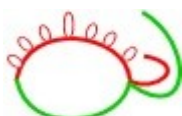
Making the CTJ - continuous thread join

Fig. 1

Fig. 2

Using a hook, take Sh thread nearest to SR under and up through the last very small picot of side 1. Push Sh2 through the loop and gently tighten.

Continue through all the picots on this side of the SR.

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain
– or p	picot	SR	split ring
/	after the / make 2nd half of SR	smp	Small picot
+B	add bead to picot before joining	SS	Switch shuttles
CTJ	Continuous thread join	vsp	very small picot (smallest you can make)
Lj	join made with shuttle thread	+	join
RoSR	ring on split ring	Cl	close
S	start	seta	four first half of ds
setb	four second half ds	T & C	Tie and cut
DNRW	Do not reverse work		

Body – using Sh1 only (onion ring)
R1:   2 vsp 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 Cl RW
ChA: * vsp 3 Lj (next vsp R1) repeat from * three times with final Lj to vsp base R1
ChB: * vsp 3 vsp 3 Lj (next vsp ChA) repeat from * three times with final Lj to first vsp ChA
ChC: * vsp 4 Lj (next vsp ChB) repeat from * seven times Lj to first vsp ChB Cl
ChD: * vsp 6 Lj (next vsp R4) repeat from * seven times 6 Lj (vsp base ChD)
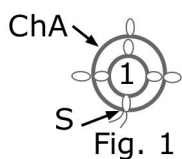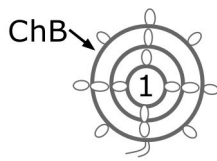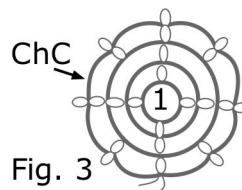ChE: 6 vsp 2 Lj (vsp ChD) SS

ChA
S
Fig. 1

ChB
Fig. 2

ChC
Fig. 3

ChD
Fig. 4
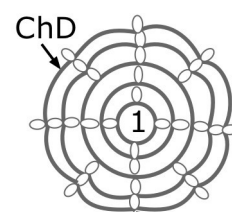
Front Leg

SR2: 2 + (vsp on last Ch) 4 / 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 Cl
SR3: 6 vsp 2 / 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 Cl
R4: 2 + (vsp SR3) 14 Cl
Ch: CTJ to vsp's on SR3, space between them and SR2 & base SR2
adjust angle of leg using CTJ before continuing

Front
ChE: 8 Lj (next vsp ChD) 2 SS

Lower Head
SR5: 4 vsp 2 / 4 – 2 Cl

Trunk
SR6: 2 + (vsp SR5) 2 / 6 Cl
SR7: 4 / 4 Cl
SR8: 4 / 4 Cl
R9: 4 seta smp setb 4 Cl SS

ChE: 4 Lj (space btwn SR8 & SR7) 4 Lj (space btwn SR7 & SR6) 6 Lj (space btwn SR6 & SR5) SS

Upper Head
SR10: 12 / 6 Cl
SR11: 8 / 3 RoSR (4 + B [SR8] 4) 3 Cl
SR12: 8 / 4 Cl Lj (next vsp ChD – keeping the threads from both shuttles above the body) continue to

Ear
SR13: 3 vsp 3 / 6 Cl
SR14: 3 vsp 3 / 6 Cl Lj (join place shown on fig. 5) RW
Ch: 6 RW
R15: 3 + (vsp SR14) 3 vsp 6 Cl RW
Ch: 8 RW
R16: 4 + (vsp R15) 4 Cl RW
Ch: 10 RW
R17: 6 + (vsp SR15) 3 + (vsp SR13) 3 Cl RW
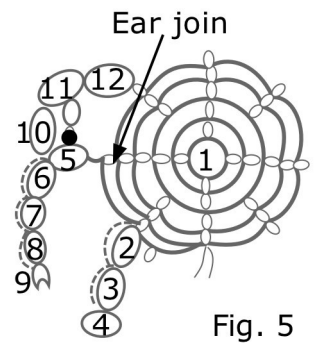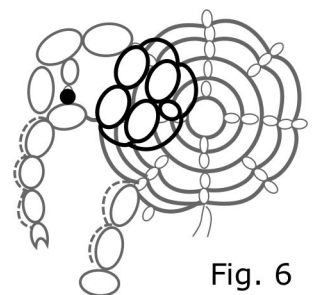Ch: 8 Lj (top SR13) continue ChE

Back
ChE: 6 Lj (next vsp ChD) 8 + (next vsp ChD) 5 vsp (add tail here later) 3 Lj (next vsp ChD) 6 vsp 2 Lj (next vsp ChD) SS

Back Leg
SR18: 2 + (vsp last Ch) 6 / 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 Cl
SR19: 6 vsp 2 / 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 Cl
R20: 2 + (vsp SR19) 14 Cl
Ch: CTJ to vsp's on SR19, space between them and SR18 & base SR18 (adjust so that leg is in a good standing position) 6 (next vsp ChD) T & C
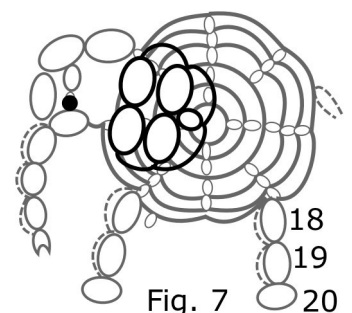Add two short threads to the vsp left on the back for the tail.

For any help with this pattern, please email me.

Ear join

Fig. 5

Fig. 6

Fig. 7