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Heart measures 2½” high when worked in size 20 thread.
 Wind 4¼ yards onto shuttle 1 then pull off a further 4¼ yards and add to shuttle 2 (CTM).

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain	vsp	very small picot	- or p	picot close
RW	reverse work	Lj	lock join	SS	switch shuttles	Cl	close
Lp	long picot	CTM	continuous thread method				
Dp	drop picot	seta	2 first halves ds	setb	2 second halves ds		
DNRW	do not reverse work						

Start first chain with a picot ([I use this method](#)). Please note that [I use this method of block tatting](#) so if you use another method you may have to reverse work to place the shuttles in the right place. These RW's are noted in brackets and pink text at the end of those rows.

A drop picot is made by doing a seta, then a vsp followed by setb. The vsp will drop down below the core thread forming a very small picot at the bottom of the chain.

Left side of heart

Row 1 of block tatting

Ch: starting with a picot 8 Dp (seta vsp setb) vsp 8 vsp 8 RW
 R1: 5 - 5 vsp 10 Cl RW
 Ch: vsp 8 (RW) see fig. 1

Row 2 (wrapped) - working back over row 1

Ch: vsp 1 vsp 8 + (base R1) vsp 8 + (next vsp row 1) vsp 8 + (next vsp row 1) vsp 8 + (first vsp row 1) (RW) see fig. 2

Row 3

Ch: (working back over row 2) 1 vsp 8 Lj (vsp row 2) vsp 8 Lj (vsp row 2) vsp 8 Lj (vsp row 2) vsp 8 Lj (vsp row 2) vsp 8 Lj (last vsp row 2) RW and continuing with the same shuttle (Sh1) (RW) see fig. 3

Row 4

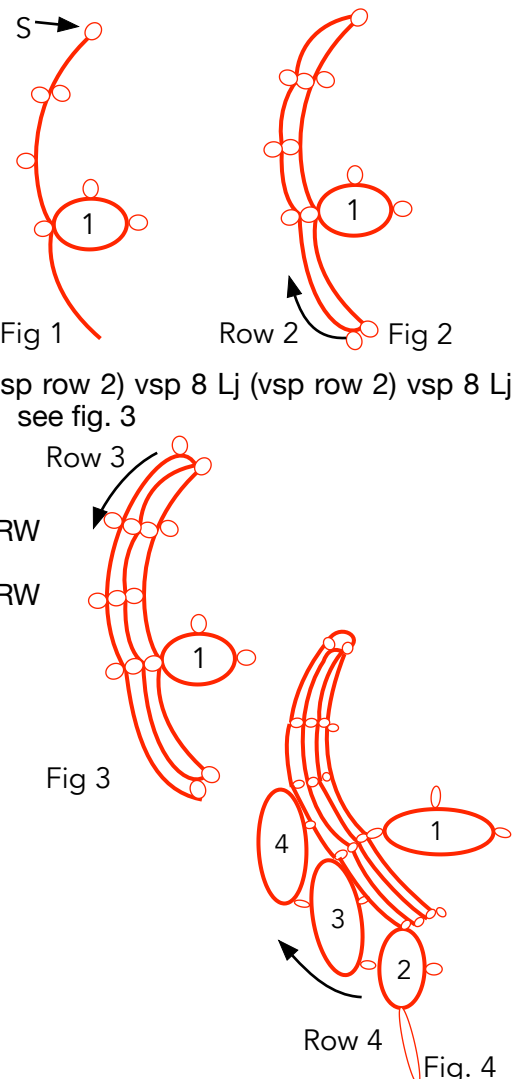
R2: 5 vsp 4 Lp (¾”) 6 vsp 4 Cl SS DNRW
 Ch: (working back over row 3) 4 vsp 4 Lj (next vsp row 3) SS DNRW
 R3: 4 + (vsp last Ch) 6 + (R2) 9 vsp 3 Cl SS DNRW
 Ch: (working back over row 3) 4 vsp 4 Lj (next vsp row 3) SS DNRW
 R4: 4 + (vsp last Ch) 4 + (R3) 10 Cl SS DNRW
 Ch: (working back over row 3) 8 Lj (next vsp row 3) 8 Lj (last vsp row 3) 5 Lj (starting p on row 1) see fig. 4 and continue to

Centre of heart

Ch: 12 RW
 SR5: 10 + (drop picot row 1) 6 / 3 vsp 1 Cl RW
 Ch: 8 vsp 3 Lj (p R1) 3 + (last Ch) 8 SS DNRW
 SR6: 1 vsp 3 / 6 vsp 10 Cl SS DNRW see fig. 5.

Row 5 - second side of heart

Ch: 12 vsp 8 Lj (SR6) vsp 8 vsp 8 Lj (vsp R1) vsp 8 Lj (p at end row 1)



Row 6 (wrapped) - working back over row 5

Ch: 1 vsp 8 + (next vsp row 5) vsp 8 + (next vsp row 5)
 vsp 8 + (next vsp row 5) vsp 8 + (last vsp row 5) (RW) see fig. 6

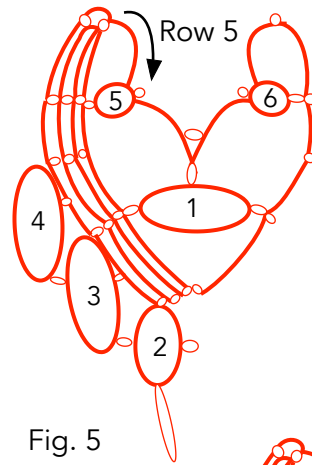


Fig. 5

Row 7

Ch: 1 vsp 8 Lj (vsp row 6) vsp 8 Lj (next vsp row 6) vsp 8 Lj
 (next vsp row 6) vsp 8 Lj (first vsp row 6) RW
 R7: 5 + (vsp R2) 4 + (Lp on R2) 6 vsp 4 CI DNRW SS
 NB the Lp can be adjusted to suit the maker by pulling one
 side of the picot to make it longer. See fig. 7

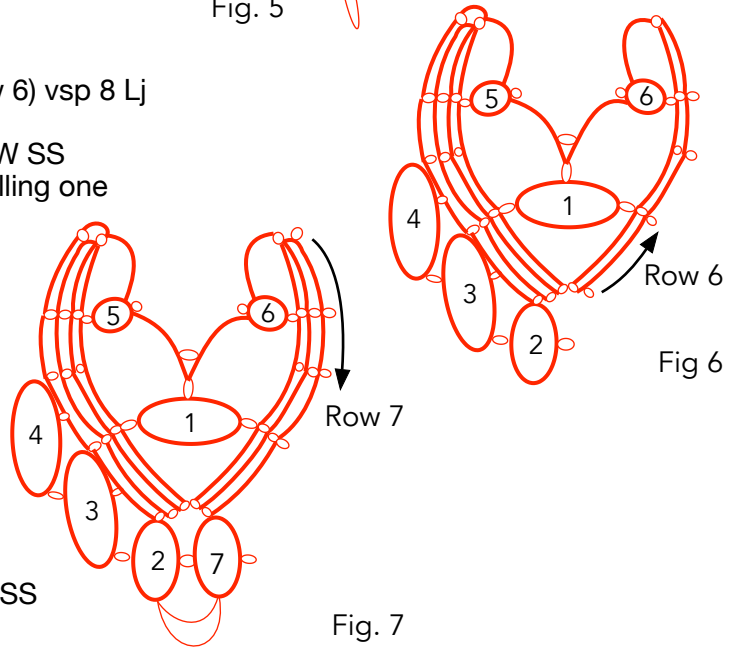


Fig 6

Fig. 7

Row 8

Ch: 4 vsp 4 Lj (vsp row 7) DNRW SS
 R8: 4 + (vsp last Ch) 6 + (R7) 9 vsp 3 CI DNRW SS
 Ch: 4 vsp 4 Lj (next vsp row 7) DNRW SS
 R9: 4 + (vsp last Ch) 4 + (R8) 10 CI DNRW SS
 Ch: 8 Lj (next vsp row 7) 8 Lj (last vsp row 7) 5 Lj (vsp row 5)
 continue the chain to centre of heart see fig. 8

Centre of heart

Continuing with Ch

Ch: 18 Lj (vsp on SR6) 7 vsp 1 Lj (p in centre heart - see fig. 9) 1 + (last vsp) 7 Lj (vsp SR5) 18 T & C to place indicated on fig. 9.

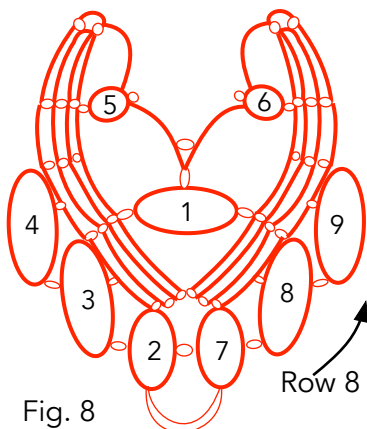


Fig. 8

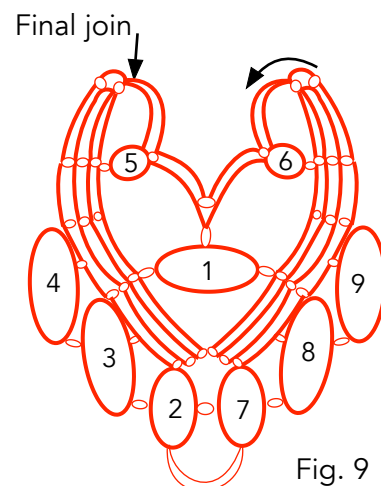


Fig. 9