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The pattern is worked in one pass and uses split rings and a few rows of chains. Using a number 20 thread he measures 3 3/4" from nose to tail. Richard was also used as the first 'Tat it and See' experiment where the pattern was broken down into 'bite sized' pieces and released at intervals.

**Abbreviations**

R	ring	Ch	chain	- or p	picot	SR	split ring
vlp	very long picot - size between ( )	+	join	vsp	very small picot		
Lj	lock join	S	start	DNRW	do not reverse work		
FP	false picot	/	after the / make 2nd half of SR	SS	switch shuttles		
T & C	tie and cut	Cl	close	LS	lock stitch chain - work first half of the double stitch as usual followed by second half UNFLIPPED to lock it. In the instructions the number of times you need to work this is shown as x and the number. So x 3 would mean you work first half ds flipped (turned) followed by second half ds unflipped (not turned) - three times.		

2 shuttles required. Between all the rings up to SR18 leave a small thread space roughly 1/8"

**NB** – I have used italics (and red text) where those who like to do 'front side, back side' tatting need to reverse the order of working double stitches. This does not apply to the second side of a regular split ring.

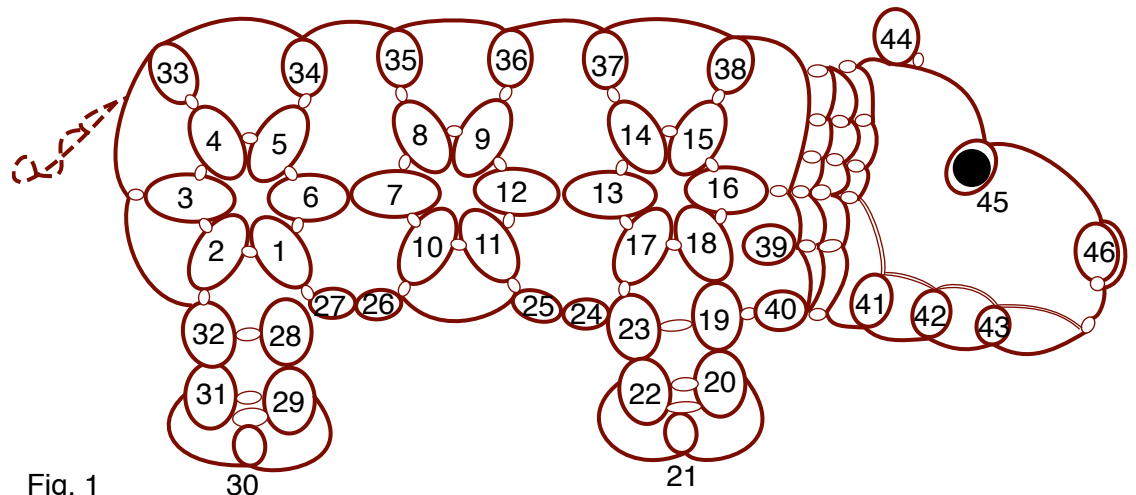


Fig. 1

**Body - Using shuttle 1**

- R1: 2 - 6 - 6 - 2 Cl
- R2: 2 + (R1) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl
- R3: 2 + (R2) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl
- R4: 2 + (R3) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl
- R5: 2 + (R4) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl
- SR6: 2 + (R5) 6 / 2 + (R1) 6 Cl
- SR7: 6 - 2 / 6 - 2 Cl
- R8: 2 + (SR7) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl
- R9: 2 + (R8) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl RW SS
- R10: 2 + (SR7) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl
- R11: 2 + (R10) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl RW SS
- SR12: 2 + (R9) 6 / 2 + (R11) 6 Cl
- SR13: 6 - 2 / 6 - 2 Cl
- R14: 2 + (SR13) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl
- R15: 2 + (R14) 6 - 6 - 2 Cl

R16: 2 + (R15) 6 - 6 - 2 CI RW SS  
R17: 2 + (R13) 6 - 6 - 2 CI RW SS  
SR18: 2 + (R16) 2 - 4 / 2 + (R17) 6 CI

### **Front Leg**

SR19: 2 - 6 / 4 - 4 CI  
SR20: 4 / 4 - 2 - 6 CI SS  
Ch: 10 RW  
R21: 2 + (last p SR20) 2 CI RW  
Ch: 10 DNRW SS  
SR22: 4 / 6 + (last p SR20) 2 + (next p SR20) 4 CI  
SR23: 6 / 4 + (SR19) 4 + (R17) 4 CI

### **Lower body**

SR24: 4 / 4 CI  
SR25: 4 / 4 CI Lj (R11) SS  
Ch: 8 Lj (R10) SS  
SR26: 4 / 4 CI  
SR27: 4 / 4 CI Lj (R1)

### **Back leg**

SR28: 8 / 4 - 4 CI  
SR29: 4 / 4 - 2 - 6 CI SS  
Ch: 10 RW  
R30: 2 + (last p SR29) 2 CI RW  
Ch: 10 DNRW SS  
SR31: 4 / 6 + (last p SR29) 2 + (next p SR29) 4 CI  
SR32: 6 / 4 + (SR28) 4 CI Lj (R2) SS

### **Back**

Ch: 10 Lj (R3) 6 Vlp (1 ¼") 1 + (Vlp after twisting 12 times) 6 RW  
R33: 4 + (R4) 4 CI RW  
Ch: 14 RW  
R34: 6 + (R5) 6 CI RW  
Ch: 10 RW  
R35: 4 + (R8) 4 CI RW  
Ch: 10 RW  
R36: 4 + (R9) 4 CI RW  
Ch: 10 RW  
R37: 4 + (R14) 4 CI RW  
Ch: 10 RW  
R38: 4 + (R15) 4 CI RW

### **Neck**

Ch: 8 vsp 4 vsp 4 vsp 4 Lj (R16) vsp 4 RW  
R39: 4 + (p SR18) 4 CI RW  
Ch: vsp 4 RW  
R40: 4 + (p SR19 front leg) 4 CI SS DNRW  
Ch: vsp 4 Lj (vsp below R39) \* vsp 4 Lj (next vsp last Ch) repeat from \* 3 times RW SS  
Ch: \* vsp 4 Lj (next vsp last Ch) repeat from \* twice vsp 4 Lj (next vsp last Ch) 4 Lj (last vsp of last Ch) RW SS

### **Lower Face**

Ch: 2 RW  
R41: 6 vsp 5 CI RW  
Ch: 6 RW  
R42: 4 vsp 3 CI RW  
Ch: 6 RW  
R43: 3 vsp 2 CI RW  
Ch: 8 vsp 1 DNRW  
LSC: x 3 Lj (R43) x 4 Lj (R42) x 4 Lj (R41) x 4 Lj (last vsp on neck - adjacent to R16)  
continue with  
Ch: 4 Lj (next vsp neck Ch) 4 Lj (next vsp neck Ch) 4 Lj (next vsp neck) RW SS

Ch: 2 SS

**Ear**

R44: 10 - 2 CI SS

**Upper Face**

Ch: 2 + (R44) 12 RWR45: 6 *vsp* 6 add bead to centre of R before closing by pulling down the core thread from the centre of *vsp*. Add bead to the core thread, take the shuttle through the loop and close carefully. RW

Ch: 12 RW

R46: 6 *vsp* 6 CI RW

Ch: 8 Lj (*vsp* R46) 2 T & C to *vsp* on low

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