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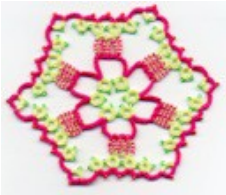

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This pattern uses a lock stitch chain for the block tatted part. Please see this technique page for further help.

Materials required. 2 shuttles and 2 contrasting colours of thread. If worked in a size 20 the finished piece will measure 4½".

For the centre you will need 1 shuttle and ball thread with 6 beads added to the shuttle thread before starting. Also further beads are needed for adding to picots.

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain
vsp	Very small picot	Lj	Lock join
LCh	Lock chain	RW	Reverse work
SLT	Shoe lace trick	SR	Split ring
B	bead	+ B	Add bead to picot before joining
Cl	close	T & C	Tie and cut

For the lock chain work first half turned and second half wrapped. See this link.

Round 1 – bead at back of hand

R1: 4 – 3 B 3 – 4 Cl RW
Ch: *8* RW SLT **block tatting**
Ch1: vsp 1 LCh: 4
Ch2: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch1)
Ch3: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch2)
Ch4: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch3)
Ch5: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch4)
Ch6: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch5) SLT RW
Ch: *8* RW – bead at back of hand

Fig. 1

R2: 4 + B (R1) 3 B 3 – 4 Cl RW
Ch: *8* RW SLT **block tatting**
Ch1: vsp 1 LCh: 4
Ch2: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch1)
Ch3: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch2)
Ch4: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch3)
Ch5: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch4)
Ch6: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch5) SLT RW
Ch: *8* RW – bead at back of hand

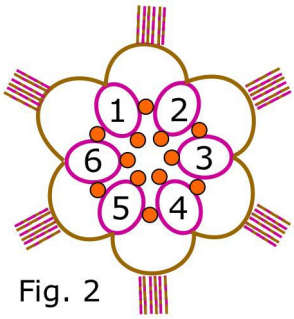

Fig. 2

R3: 4 + B (R2) 3 B 3 – 4 Cl RW
Ch: *8* RW SLT **block tatting**
Ch1: vsp 1 LCh: 4
Ch2: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch1)
Ch3: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch2)
Ch4: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch3)
Ch5: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch4)
Ch6: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch5) SLT RW
Ch: *8* RW – bead at back of hand

R4: 4 + B (R3) 3 B 3 – 4 Cl RW
Ch: *8* RW SLT **block tatting**
Ch1: vsp 1 LCh: 4
Ch2: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch1)
Ch3: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch2)

Ch4: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch3)
Ch5: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch4)
Ch6: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch5) SLT RW
Ch: 8 RW – bead at back of hand
R5: 4 + B (R4) 3 B 3 – 4 Cl RW
Ch: 8 RW SLT **block tatting**
Ch1: vsp 1 LCh: 4
Ch2: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch1)
Ch3: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch2)
Ch4: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch3)
Ch5: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch4)
Ch6: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch5) SLT RW
Ch: 8 RW – bead at back of hand
R6: 4 + B (R5) 3 B 3 + B (R1) 4 Cl RW
Ch: 8 RW SLT **block tatting**
Ch1: vsp 1 LCh: 4
Ch2: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch1)
Ch3: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch2)
Ch4: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch3)
Ch5: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch4)
Ch6: 1 vsp 1 LCh:4 Lj (vsp Ch5) SLT RW
Ch: 8 T & C to base R1

Round 2 – 2 shuttles. Add 30 beads to shuttle 1 and 24 on Sh2. Further beads are needed to add to picots.

R1: 3 – 3 + (left corner on block of centre) 3 – 3 Cl RW
* Ch: 4 B 4 RW
R2: 3 + B (last ring) 3 + (right corner on same block) 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 B 3 RW 2 beads at back of hand
R3: 3 + B (last ring) 3 B 3 B 3 Cl RW
Ch: 8 RW bead at back of hand
SR4: 4 B 4 / 5 B 5 Cl RW
Ch: 8 RW 2 beads at back of hand
R5: 3 B 3 B 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 B 3 RW
R6: 3 + B (R5) 3 + (left corner of next block) 3 – 3 Cl RW
Repeat from * all round joining ring 30 (with a bead) to ring 1.

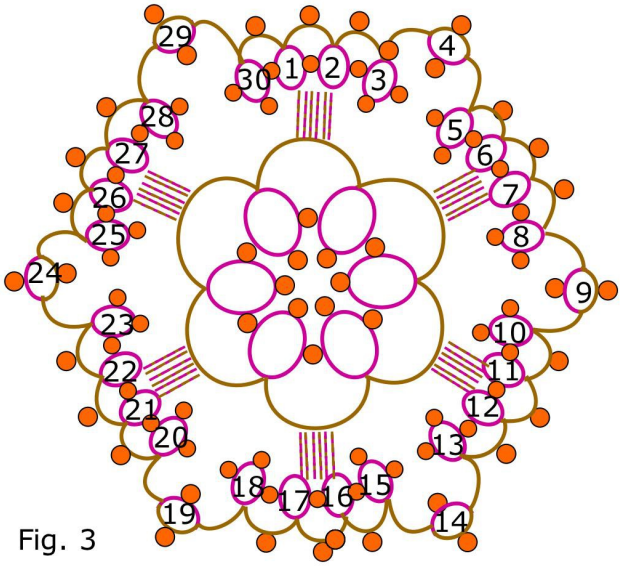

Fig. 3

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