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Materials required

No. 20 Crochet cotton, 1 shuttle, small beads, small plastic (or brass) ½" ring. (I used plastic Austrian/festoon blind rings which measure ½" in diameter and cost VERY little!)

Abbreviations

B	bead (on chain or shuttle thread) to replace picot	+B	join with bead added to previous p
RG	plastic/brass ring	T & C	tie and cut
^{BBB} _B	3 beads on chain thread & one on shuttle thread all moved into position. (see fig. 2)		

Method

Add 30 beads to the shuttle thread & 30 beads to chain thread before starting. Also further beads are needed for adding to picots.

R1: 4 +(RG) 2 - 2

R2: 2 +(R1) 2 +(RG) 4

Ch: 6 - 4

*Move 4 beads on to back of hand before starting next ring

R3: 4 (4 beads leaving small space for joining btwn each bead) 4

Ch: 4 B 4

R4: 4 +(R3 space btwn last 2 beads on R3) 4

Ch: 6 ^{BBB}_B 6

R5: 4 +(R3 space btwn next 2 beads on R3) 4

Ch: 4 B 4

R6: 4 +(R3 space btwn 1st 2 beads on R3) 4

Ch: 4 - 6

R7: 4 +(RG) 2 - 2

R8: 2 +(R7) 2 +(RG) 4

Ch: 6 +B(last Ch) 4

Repeat from * 5 times (6 points) joining last Ch to first Ch with a B. T & C to base of R1

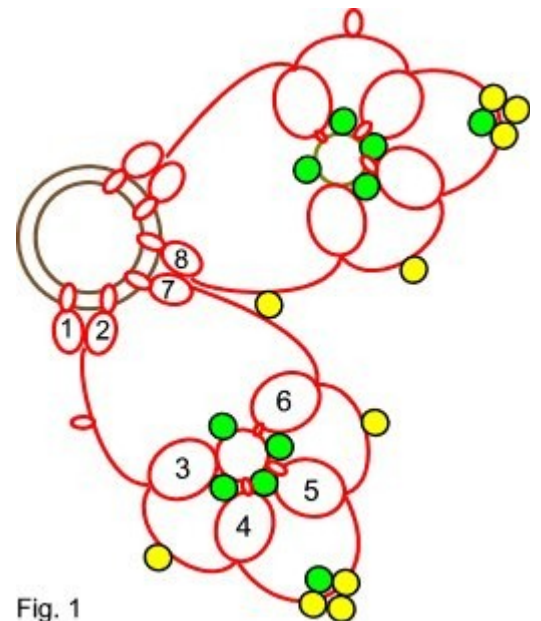


Fig. 1

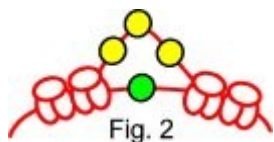


Fig. 2

Here is a lovely variation on this snowflake submitted by Sharren Morgan in December 2010. [Please see her blog for more information.](#)



80 beads on the shuttle, 54 on the ball

R1: 4 BB 2 BB 4.

Ch: 4 BBB/B (push 3 beads up from the ball and one from the shuttle) 4.

R2: 4 + (between beads on picot on R1) 2 BB 4.

Ch: 4 B 6.

R3: 3 BB 4 - 1.

R4: 1+ (to picot on R3) 4 BB 3.

Ch: 6 B 4.

R5: 4 BB 2 BB 4.

Ch: 4 BBB/B 4.

R6: 4 + (btwn beads on picot on R5) 2 BB 4.

Ch: 6 BBB/B 6.

R7: 4 + (btwn beads on picot on R6) 2 BB 4.

Ch: 4 BBB/B 4.

R8: 4 + (btwn beads on picot on R7) 2 + (between beads on picot on R5) 4.

Ch: 4 B 6.

R9: 3+(btwn beads on picot on R4) 4-1.

R10: 1+ (to picot on R9) 4 BB 3.

Ch: 6 + (to picot on chain tatted just before R9; make sure the join is below the bead) 4.

Continue around until you have 5 complete points and one incomplete.

R35: (btwn beads on picot on R2) 2 BB 4.

Ch: 4 BBB/B 4.

R36: (btwn beads on picot on R35) 2 + (between beads on picot on R1) 4.

SCh: 6 B | 6.

You should have 2 beads on the shuttle thread and 1 on the ball. Cut threads about 4" 6" from work. Put the thread with 1 bead through the last bead on the other thread so they cross inside the bead; tie a firm square knot to hold all three in place. Double knot the ends together to form a self-hanger.