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Butterfly Snowflake © Jane Eborall 2020







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The snowflake measures 2 ½" from tip to tip.

Materials required - 2 shuttles, 2 colours size 20 thread, six 1/4" bugle or rice beads, 6 size 10 or 11 seed beads.

Abbreviations

R ring SR split ring Cl close DNRW do not reverse work SLT shoe lace trick SS switch shuttles B bead Li lock join

MBBH move bead to back of hand MB move bead on core thread

Note – for those who prefer front side/back side tatting the text in *italics and red* indicates where the worker needs to use the second half of the ds first.

Also there is a technique page here for adding the central bugle beads if required.

Wind 3½ yards on Sh1 and 4¼ yards on Sh2 also adding 6 seed beads to Sh2.

Version 1

Centre

In the first ring add the 6 bugle beads as follows after the first four doubles.

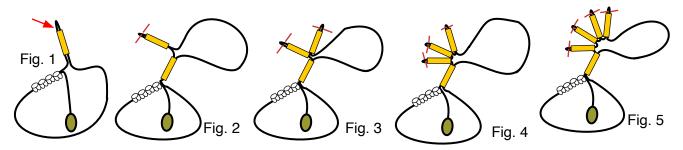
Make a loop next to the last double worked and place 1st bead on the loop - Fig.1. Add the 2nd bead and place a pin to hold them both in place. Fig. 2. Snug beads up to the completed work.

You will need to pull thread out from the shuttle and the thread round the hand. This will constantly need adjusting when adding further beads.

Pull another loop on the thread emerging from the bottom of the 2nd bead and add another bead as before. Again a safety pin is required to hold it in place. Fig. 3

Repeat for the fourth, fifth and sixth beads continuing to snug up to previous beads.

When the 6th bead has been added pull the thread back into the ring again making sure all threads are snugged up.



R1: 4 + 6 bugle beads 4 CI DNRW

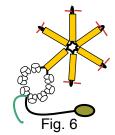
* SR2: 6 / 6 Cl SR3: 6 / 6 Cl

R4: 4 + (next B of 6 bead cluster) 4 Cl

Repeat from * 4 times

SR17: 6/6 CI

SR18: 6 / 6 Cl + (base R1). Continue without cutting and DNRW



Outer round

* SR1: 4 / 4 Cl SR2: 4 / 4 Cl RW Ch: 4 vsp 1 SS

R3: MBBH 1 + (vsp Ch) 4 B 4 vsp 1 Cl SS

Ch: 1 + (R3) 4 RW

SR4: 4/4 CI

SR5: 4 / 4 Cl + base next clover on centre. Repeat from * all round T & C to base SR1

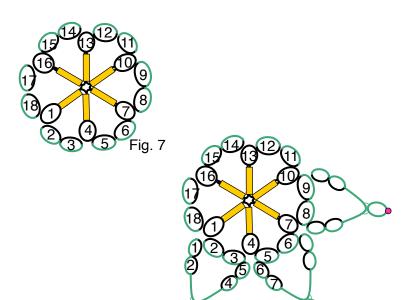


Fig. 8

Version 2 - from Sally Kerson (little sister)

Wind $3\frac{1}{2}$ yards on Sh1 and 5 yards on Sh2 also adding 36 seed beads to Sh2. Work centre as before then continue after SR18 as follows.

* SR1: 4 / 4 CI SR2: 4 / 4 CI RW Ch: 2 vsp 1 SS

R3: MBBH (1 B) 1 + (vsp Ch) 2 B 2 vsp 1 Cl R4: MBBH (3 B) 1 + (R3) 3 B B B MB 3 vsp 1 Cl R5: MBBH (1 B) 1 + (R4) 2 B 2 vsp 1 Cl SS

Ch: $1 + (R5) 2 \hat{R}W$

SR6: 4/4 CÍ

SR7: 4 / 4 Cl + base next clover on centre. Repeat from * all round T & C to base SR1

