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All snowflakes measure 2" in diameter.

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.

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain	Cl	close	RW	reverse work
SR	split ring	SS	switch shuttles			vsp	very small picot
T & C	tie and cut	HDD	half double double stitch			CTM	continuous thread method
Lj	lock join	LCh	lock chain	SCh	split chain	B	bead
MB	move bead	Sh1	shuttle 1	Sh2	shuttle 2	DNRW	do not reverse work
MBBH	move bead to back of hand before starting ring						

Snowflake 1 (Betsy's Snowflake) - 2 shuttles. Add 11 beads to the ball thread and wind 3½ yards onto Sh1. Pull off a further 2 yards, cut, add 1 bead and wind onto Sh2

R1: 3 vsp 5 vsp 5 vsp 3 Cl DNRW

R2: MB (Sh1) 3 + (vsp last R) 5 vsp 5 vsp 3 Cl DNRW

R3 - 5 as R2

SR6: MB (Sh1) 3 + (vsp last R) 5 / MB (Sh2) 3 + (vsp R1)5 Cl DNRW

SR7: 4 / 4 Cl

*R8: MBBH 6 B 6 Cl SS DNRW

LCh: 8 Lj (joined p's of centre rings) 8 RW

R9: 4 + (vsp next R centre) 4 Cl RW SS

Repeat from * four times

R18: MBBH 6 B 6 Cl SS

LCh: 8 Lj (joined vsp's centre rings) 8 T & C base R8

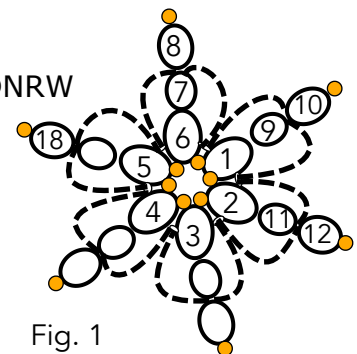


Fig. 1

Snowflake 2 - 2 shuttles. Add 11 beads to the ball thread and wind 4 yards onto Sh1. Pull off a further 1½ yards, cut, add 1 bead and wind onto Sh2

R1: 2 vsp 6 vsp 6 vsp 2 Cl DNRW

R2: MB (Sh1) 2 + (vsp last R) 6 vsp 6 vsp 2 Cl

R3 - 5 as R2

SR6: MB (Sh1) 2 + (vsp last R) 6 / MB (Sh2) 2 + (vsp R1) 6 Cl SS

Ch: HDD 6 SS

*SR7: MBBH 6 B 6 / 2 Cl SS

5 Ch: HDD 6 Lj (vsp next R on centre) 6 SS

Repeat from * four times omitting last BDCh.

T & C to SR7.

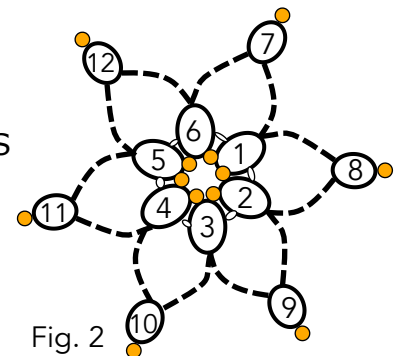


Fig. 2

Snowflake 3 - 2 shuttles. Add 5 beads to the ball thread and wind 4½ yards onto Sh1. Pull off a further 2¼ yards, add 1 bead and wind onto Sh2.

R1: 3 vsp 5 vsp 5 vsp 3 Cl

R2: MB 3 + (vsp last R) 5 vsp 5 vsp 3 Cl

R3 - 5 as R2

SR6: MB (Sh1) 3 + (vsp last R) 5 / MB (Sh2) 3 + (vsp R1) 5 Cl SS

Round 1

Ch: * vsp 4 vsp 2 Lj (join between next 2 centre rings) 2 + (vsp last Ch) 4 Lj (vsp next R) Repeat from * 5 times joining final Ch to SR on centre SS

Round 2

SR7: 3 / 3 Cl

SR8: 3 / 3 Cl

SR9: 2 LBP (5 beads) 1 / 3 Cl

SR10: 1 + (LBP) 2 / 3 Cl

SR11: 3 / 3 Cl

SR12: 3 / 3 Cl Lj (vsp above next R on centre)

Repeat from * all round joining final SR to top of R6 on centre.

