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The sun measures 3½" in diameter when worked with size 20 thread.

Abbreviations

R	ring	Cl	close
vsp	Very small picot	Ch	chain
RW	Reverse work	+ B	Add bead to picot before joining
LBP	Long beaded picot	B	Bead in place of picot
+	join		

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

To make the LBP – add the 9 beads to the thread running round the back of the hand when reaching the LBP instructions. Adjust the thread so that all the beads fit but leaving a small space for joining between the beads. Place a safety pin after the final bead to keep them in place and THEN finish the ring. Leave the safety pin in place until R6 has been made (see fig.1).

Round 1

R1: 6 – 4 – 6 Cl RW

Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 RW

Move eye bead to back of hand before starting ring.

R2: 6 + B (2ⁿᵈ p R1) 2 B (eye) 2 – 6 Cl RW

Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 RW

R3: 6 + B (last p R2) 3 LBP (to take 9 beads + joining space) 1 – 6 Cl RW

Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 RW

R4: 6 + (last p R3) 2 + (LBP after 3ʳᵈ B) 2 – 6 Cl RW

Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 RW

R5: 6 + (last p R4) 2 + (LBP after 6ᵗʰ B) 2 – 6 Cl RW

Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 RW

R6: 6 + (last p R5) 1 + (LBP after 9ᵗʰ B) 3 – 6 Cl RW

Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 RW

Move B to back of hand before starting ring.

R7: 6 + B (last p R6) 2 B (eye) 2 – 6 Cl RW

Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 RW

R8: 6 + B (last p R7) 4 + B (1ˢᵗ p R1) 6 Cl RW

Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 + base R1 RW – do not cut threads.

Round 2

SR9: 4 / 4 Cl RW

Ch: 4 – 4 – 4 vsp 3 RW

Bead at back of hand before starting ring.

R10: 3 B 3 Cl RW

Ch: 3 + (vsp last Ch) 4 + B (p last Ch) 4 + B (p last Ch) 4 + (vsp middle of Ch round 1) 4 – 4 – 4 vsp 3 RW
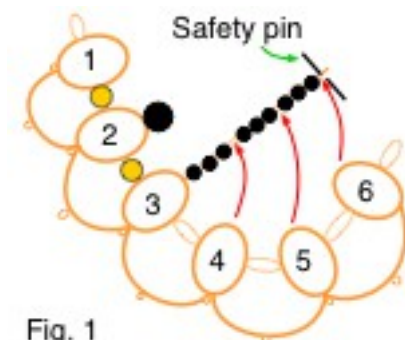
* Bead at back of hand before starting ring.

R11: 3 B 3 Cl RW

Ch: 3 + (vsp last Ch) 4 + B (p last Ch) 4 + B (p last Ch) 4 SS

R12: 4 + (vsp at base of next R on round 1) 4 Cl SS

Ch: 4 – 4 – 4 vsp 3 RW

Bead at back of hand before starting ring.

R13:   3 B 3 Cl RW

Ch: 3 + (vsp last Ch) 4 + B (p last Ch) 4 + B (p last Ch) 4 + (vsp middle of Ch round 1) 4 – 4 – 4 vsp 3 RW

Repeat from * to end of round joining the final chain to the base of SR9

Fig. 2

Fig. 3