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This pattern was originally designed to fit over a CD – see this link. I have made this version slightly smaller although longer points can be made on the outer motif.

Materials
No. 20 thread. Two shuttles for both parts. Size 11 seed beads and one large flat shell bead (a round bead would also work) measuring just under ½".

Abbreviations

p or -	picot	SR	Split ring
Sh1	Shuttle 1	B	Move bead in place of picot
+ B	Add bead to picot before joining	S	start
T & C	Tie and cut	DNRW	Do not reverse work
Sh1	Shuttle 1	Sh2	Shuttle 2

Outer Motif

Before starting outer star add 30 beads to Sh1
Using Sh1 – bead @ back of hand
R1:   3 – 3 B 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 3 RW - *bead @ back of hand
R2:   3 + B (last R) 3 B 3 – 3 Cl DNRW – bead @ back of hand

Fig. 1

R3:   3 + B (last R) 6 B 6 – 3 Cl DNRW - bead @ back of hand
R4:   3 + B (last R) 3 B 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 + B (p of corresponding ch – see fig. 1) 3 RW - bead @ back of hand
R5:   3 + B (last R) 3 B 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 3 (+ B in following repeats) RW
SR6: 3 + B (p of last R) 3 / 6 Cl
SR7: 6 / 6 Cl
SR8: 3 – 3 / 6 Cl RW

Ch: 3 – 3 RW - bead @ back of hand
R9:   3 + B (p of last SR) 3 B 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 3 RW *
Repeat from * to * five times. Add beads to joining chains as shown in fig. 1. Join last SR8 to R1 with a bead.
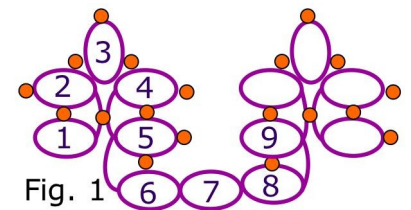Ch: 3 + B (p on corresponding Ch) 3 T & C

Inner Motif

Two shuttles wound CTM

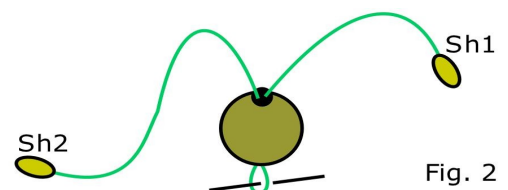Take loop through centre of ½" shell bead and anchor with a pin. See fig. 2

Fig. 2

Make chain using second pin to form a vsp at the start (see fig 3)
Ch: 6 vsp 6 vsp 6 Lj (space formed by first pin whilst removing it) – see fig. 3
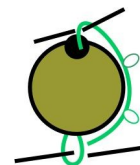
Fig. 3

Continue chain
Ch: vsp 6 vsp 6 vsp 6 Lj (loop at start formed by second pin whilst removing it) SS See fig. 4
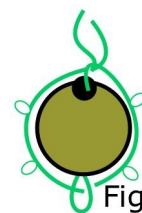then continue as follows

Fig. 4

SR1: 3 – 3 / 3 – 3 Cl DNRW
*R2: 3 + B (last R) 3 – 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 3 RW (add B in later rounds)
R3:   3 + B (last R) 3 – 6 Cl RW
Ch: 22 RW
R4:   6 + B (last R) 3 – 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 3 RW
R5:   3 + B (last R) 3 + B (opposite R) 3 – 3 Cl
R6:   3 + B (last R) 3 + (next vsp on centre chain round B) 3 – 3 Cl
Repeat from * four times then work up to and including ring 4.
Ch: 3 + B (corresponding p on chain on first part) 3 RW
R5:   3 + B (last R) 3 + B (corresponding p on R on first part) 3 + B
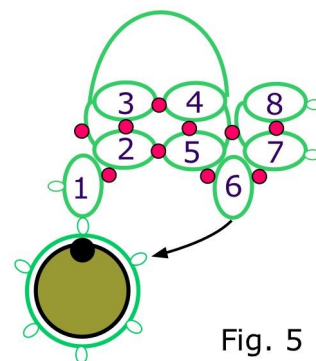(p on first SR worked) 3 Cl Join to top of SR1 T & C

Fig. 5

Finishing
Bring each of the points of the outer star from below the inner star and over the long chain of 20 ds.