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A small Christmas tree earring which is made over a button. This is similar to the larger tree [which can be found here](#). Measures roughly 1 ¾".

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain
Cl	close	RW	Reverse work
SR	Split ring	BBB	Move 3 beads onto picot
+ B	Add bead to picot before joining	vsp	Very small picot
MB	Move bead on core thread	Lj	Lock join
SLT	Shoe lace trick – tie knot		
DP	Down picot - made by doing two first halves of ds, picot, two second halves ds		

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.

Skills required. Rings, chains, split rings and using beads both on chain and core thread. Also adding beads to picots.

Materials required – 2 shuttles, 2 or 4 hole button measuring ¾", seed beads and feature bead/button for top. Size 80 thread.

Add 23 beads to shuttle 1 thread and 1 to shuttle 2.

2 yards on Sh1 & 1 ½ yards on Sh2 wound CTM

Ch: false vsp 2 RW

B at back of hand

R1: 2 – 2 B MB 3 – 3 Cl RW

Ch: 4 – 2 + (1st hole in button – hold button upside down) 2 RW

B at back of hand

R2: 3 + B (R1) 3 B MB 4 – 4 Cl RW

Ch: 8 – 8 RW

B at back of hand

R3: 4 + B (R2) 4 B MB 4 – 4 Cl RW

*Ch: 3 + (2nd hole in button [or 3rd if using a four hole button] – check that last Ch lies at the **FRONT** of the button. This will be tucked underneath the button as you're working the chain and holding the button upside down) 2 vsp 2 RW*

B at back of hand

SR4: 4 + B (R3) 4 B MB 4 vsp 1 / 4 Cl

B at back of hand

R5: 1 + (vsp SR4) 5 B MB 9 vsp 1 Cl

B at back of hand

SR6: 1 + (vsp R5) 4 B 4 vsp 4 / 4 Cl RW

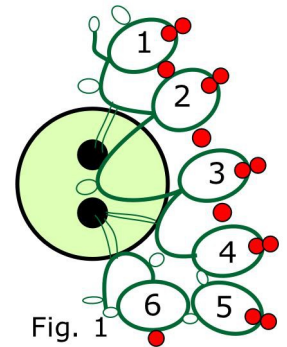


Fig. 1

Ch: 2 + (vsp last Ch) 2 + (2nd hole in button or 3rd if using a four hole button) 3 vsp 1 SLT RW

Ch: + (vsp SR6) 4 DP 22 Lj (+ B to DP) 4 vsp 1 SLT RW

Ch: + (vsp last but one Ch) 3 + (2nd hole in button or 3rd if using a four hole button) 2 vsp 2 RW

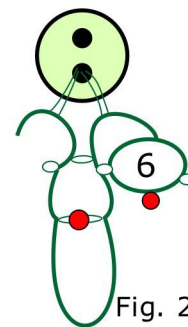


Fig. 2

B at back of hand

SR7: 4 + (vsp Ch before last) 4 B 4 vsp 1 / 4 CI

B at back of hand

R8: 1 + (vsp SR7) 9 B MB 5 vsp 1 CI

B at back of hand

SR9: 1 + (vsp R8) 4 B MB 4 - 4 / 4 CI RW

Ch: 2 + (vsp last Ch) 2 + (2nd hole in button or 3rd if using a four hole button) 3 RW

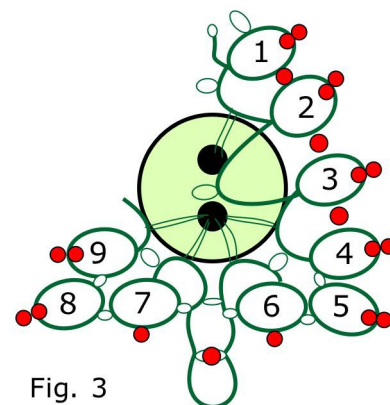


Fig. 3

B at back of hand

R10: 4 + B (SR9) 4 B MB 4 - 4 CI RW

Ch: 8 + B (Ch between R2 & R3) 8 RW

B at back of hand

R11: 4 + B (R10) 4 B MB 3 - 3 CI RW

Ch: 2 + (1st hole in button - be careful to join ABOVE the long chain join) 2 + B (Ch between R1 & R2) 4 RW

B at back of hand

IR12: 3 + B (R11) 3 B MB 2 - 2 CI RW

Ch: 2 + (vsp at start of 1st Ch) RW

B at back of hand

SR13: 2 + B (R10) 4 B 4 / 2 + B (R1) 4 MB (on shuttle 2) 4 CI

Take both ends through the top bead or star button and tie onto a split ring finding or an earring finding. I tend to use a split ring finding which is then added to the earring one.

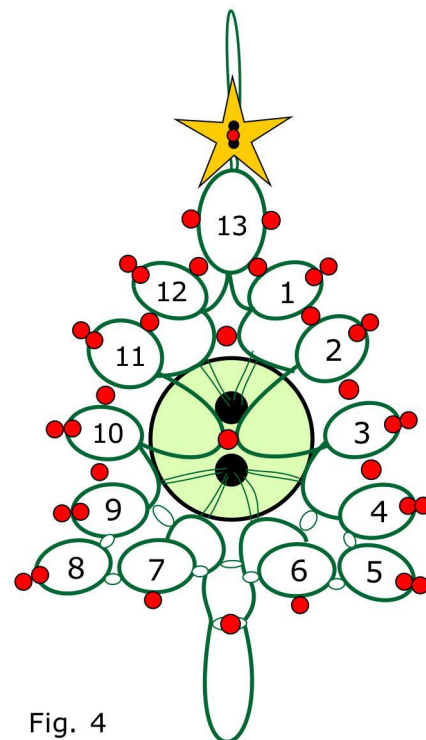


Fig. 4

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