

Easy Pearl Tatting

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This method is faster than dropping shuttles, turning the work etc.

As many ds can be worked this way on either side of the core thread as required and other elements may be 'thrown off' the braid.

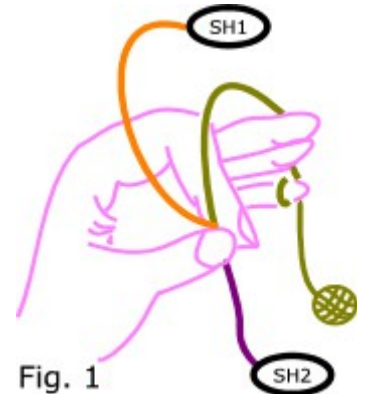
Materials required – 2 shuttles and a ball thread (OR a third shuttle).

Tie all 3 ends together or proceed from previous element in the tatting.

NOTE: The chain thread will be the core thread and will **never show in the pearl tatted braid**.

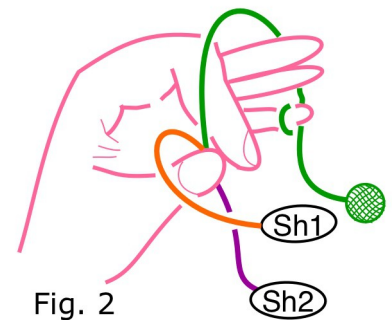
Place the ball thread in the normal chain position over the left hand.

Shuttle 1 is placed over the back of the hand when not being used and will always return to this position. See fig. 1.



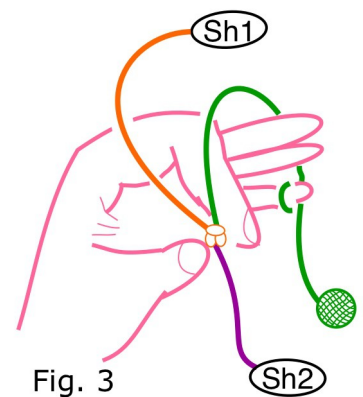
To make the first stitch take Sh1 down over the top of the work into the normal working position. See fig. 2.

Figure 2 shows the position of shuttle 1 before making the stitch.



Using Sh1 make first ds on the ball thread as usual (first half of ds followed by second half ds **but WITHOUT FLIPPING THE KNOT – wrapping the thread**. Sh1 thread will show as ds.

Return Sh1 to its position over the back of the hand as before. See fig. 3 – first double worked.



Take Sh2 & make ds again on the ball thread as in 2nd side of SR – second half of ds first, first half made next **WITHOUT TURNING THE KNOT – wrapping the thread**. Shuttle 2 thread will show as the double stitch. See fig. 3.

Drop Sh2 and pick up Sh1 repeating the alternating double stitches for the length required.

