

Here are two alternative ways (which have been discovered by various people) to close a self closing mock ring. With the first method a small 'blip' of colour is left at the base of the ring but if using just one colour that is not a concern.

With the usual method of closing this type of ring there is often the tendency for the left side to want to slightly overlap the right. By using this simple additional move to close the ring this prevents this from happening.

1: Make the SCMR as usual but instead of taking Sh1 right through the loop formed at the beginning - just take a loop as in fig. 1

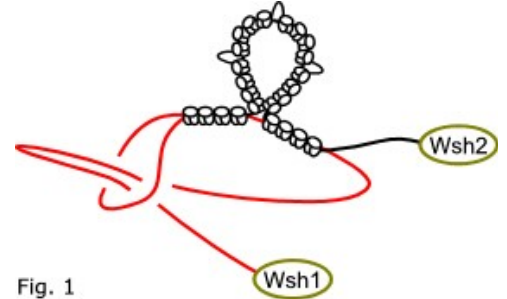


Fig. 1

2: Now take Sh1 through the loop just formed but wait - don't close just yet!

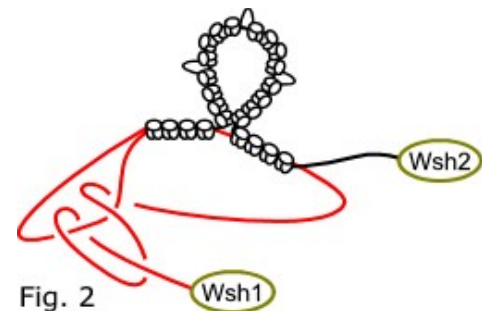


Fig. 2

3: Close the SCMR by pulling the original thread up tight (see A in fig. 3) followed by Sh1 (see B in fig. 3).

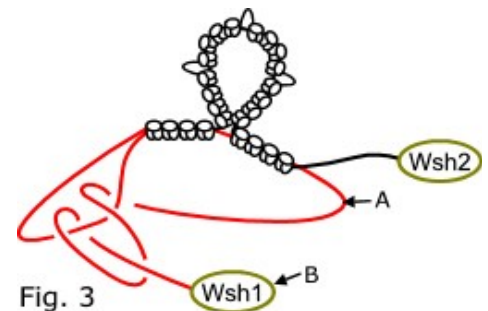


Fig. 3

To avoid the 'blip' of colour at the base of the SCMR replace step 3 with the following.

4: Work step 1 - see fig. 1

5: Tighten the mock ring by pulling A first to 'lock' up the loop.

6: Take shuttle 2 through this loop from front to back and then tighten the whole mock ring by pulling Sh1 (B)

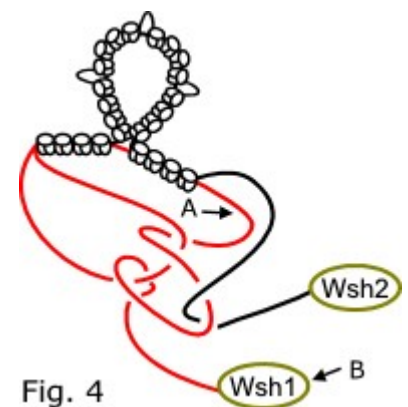


Fig. 4