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I have [taken this snowflake](#) which I made for a magazine back in 2000 or thereabouts and have taken out the ring and replaced the centre with a large bead. Basically this is a rings and chains pattern only with a few beads added. The centre can be left without the bead and the whole design fits snugly into a 3" diameter ring if required.

**Abbreviations**

R	ring	Ch	chain
Cl	close	RW	Reverse work
B	Bead moved along chain thread	MB	Bead moved along shuttle thread
+ B	Bead added to picot before joining	vsp	Very small picot
BBBB	4 beads moved along chain thread	RW	Reverse work
btwn	between	LBP	Long beaded picot

**Materials required.** Number 20 thread and seed beads (size 11), 1 large bead measuring 1/2" in diameter.

Add 30 beads to the shuttle thread & 30 beads to chain thread before starting. Further beads are needed for adding to picots.

- R1: 4 - 2 vsp 2 Cl
- R2: 2 + (vsp last R) 2 - 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 6 - 4 RW*
- 4 beads on to back of hand before starting next ring
- R3: 4 BBBB (leave small space for joining btwn each bead) 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*
- R4: 4 + (R3 space btwn last 2 beads) 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 6 BBB MB 6 RW*
- R5: 4 + (R3 space btwn next 2 beads) 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*
- R6: 4 + (R3 space btwn 1st 2 beads) 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 4 - 6 RW*
- R7: 4 + B (R2) 2 LBP (add large B) 2 Cl
- R8: 2 + (base LBP on R7) 2 - 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 6 + B (last Ch) 4 RW*

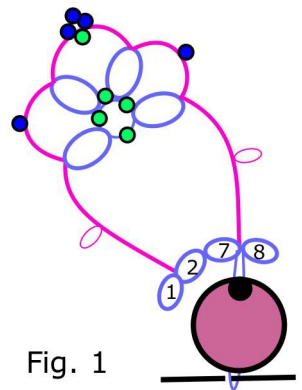


Fig. 1

- 4 beads on to back of hand before starting next ring
- R9: 4 BBBB (leave small space for joining btwn each bead) 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*
- R10: 4 + (R9 space btwn last 2 beads) 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 6 BBB MB 6 RW*
- R11: 4 + (R9 space btwn next 2 beads) 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*
- R12: 4 + (R9 space btwn 1st 2 beads) 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 4 - 6 RW*
- R13: 4 + B (R8) 2 vsp 2 Cl
- R14: 2 + (vsp R13) 2 - 4 Cl RW  
*Ch: 6 + B (last Ch) 4 RW*
- 4 beads on to back of hand before starting next ring

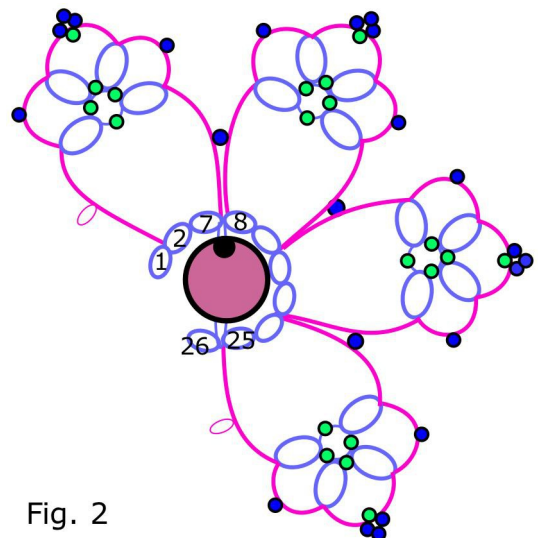


Fig. 2

- R15: 4 BBBB (leave small space for joining btwn each bead) 4 Cl RW

*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*

R16: 4 + (R15 space btwn last 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 6 BBB MB 6 RW*

R17: 4 + (R15 space btwn next 2 beads) 4  
CI RW

*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*

R18: 4 + (R15 space btwn 1st 2 beads) 4 CI  
RW

*Ch: 4 - 6 RW*

R19: 4 + B (R14) 2 vsp 2 CI

R20: 2 + (vsp R19) 2 - 4 CI RW

*Ch: 6 + B (last Ch) 4 RW\**

4 beads on to back of hand before starting  
next ring

R21: 4 BBBB (leave small space for joining  
btwn each bead) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*

R22: 4 + (R21 space btwn last 2 beads) 4 CI  
RW

*Ch: 6 BBB MB 6 RW*

R23: 4 + (R21 space btwn next 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*

R24: 4 + (R21 space btwn 1st 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 - 6 RW*

R25: 4 + B (R20) 2 vsp 2 CI

R26: 2 + (vsp R25 taking the vsp through the LBP first) 2 - 4 CI RW

*Ch: 6 + B (last Ch) 4 RW*

4 beads on to back of hand before starting next ring

R27: 4 BBBB (leave small space for joining btwn each bead) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*

R28: 4 + (R27 space btwn last 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 6 BBB MB 6 RW*

R29: 4 + (R27 space btwn next 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*

R30: 4 + (R27 space btwn 1st 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 - 6 RW*

R31: 4 + B (R26) 2 vsp 2 CI

R32: 2 + (vsp R31) 2 + B (R1) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 6 + B (last Ch) 4 RW*

4 beads on to back of hand before starting next ring

R33: 4 BBBB (leave small space for joining btwn each bead) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*

R34: 4 + (R33 space btwn last 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 6 BBB MB 6 RW*

R35: 4 + (R33 space btwn next 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 B 4 RW*

R36: 4 + (R33 space btwn 1st 2 beads) 4 CI RW

*Ch: 4 + B (first chain) 6 T & C to base of R1*

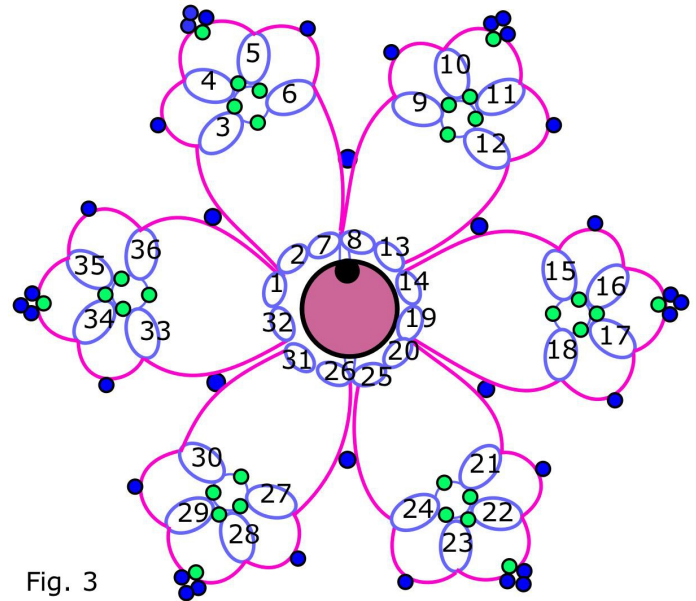


Fig. 3

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