

Christmas Decoration encircling a small bauble

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Materials and equipment:

Size 20 thread, about 48 size 9 or 11 beads,
2 safety pins, a small bauble approximately
 $\frac{3}{4}$ inch (2 cm) in diameter, a size 0.4 crochet
hook and the usual tatting equipment

Abbreviations:

R. = Ring, p = picot, RW = reverse work,
CH. = chain, B = bead, + join



Wind about 4 metres on your shuttle.
Do not cut.

R.A (Fig 1) 4, p, 8, p, 4, cl, RW

CH. 2, make a loop in the ball thread, add three beads and hold them in place with a safety pin (a beaded picot), 5, make a loop in the ball thread, add three beads and hold them in place with a safety pin (a beaded picot), 2, RW

*R.B)Fig 1) 4, + to ring A, 8, p, 4, cl, RW

CH. (Fig 2) 2, remove the safety pin from the second beaded picot on the previous chain and make a join to the end of the picot, 5, make a loop in the ball thread, add three beads and hold them in place with a safety pin (a beaded picot), 2, RW

Fig 1

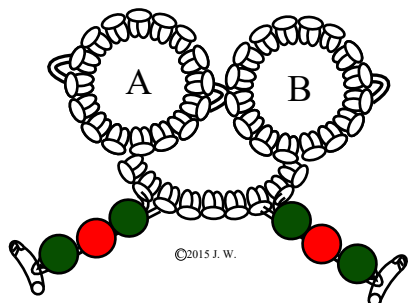
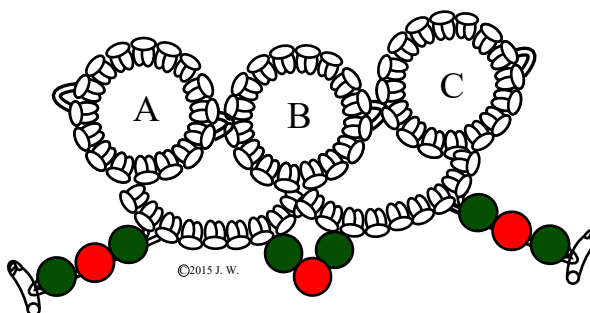


Fig 2



Repeat from * 13 times. Check for length before working the final ring in case the bauble is a tad larger than $\frac{3}{4}$ inch (2 cm) diameter. Add another one or two repeats here if necessary then work the final ring - see overleaf

R.P 4, + to previous ring, 4, + to the loop at the top of the bauble, 4, + to ring A, 4, cl, RW
 CH. 2, remove the safety pin from the beaded picot on the previous chain and make a join to the end of the picot, 5, remove the safety pin from the beaded picot on ring A and make a join to the end of the picot, 2,

Cut and tie to the base of ring A then secure the ends,

Block and stiffen then, when the tatting is dry, attach a hanging loop to the beaded picot above ring P.

