Medallion with beads in rings off chains

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Requirements:
Size 20 thread, 2 shuttles, 6 six size 3mm beads, a fine crochet hook and the usual tatting equipment.
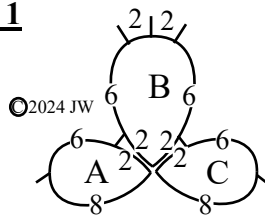
Special abbreviations:
CTM = continuous thread method
SH. = shuttle, R. = ring, p = picot. cl = close ring,
RW = reverse work, DNRW = do not reverse work,
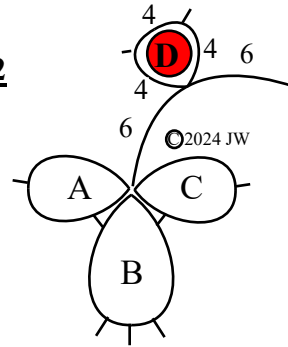SS = swap shuttles, CH. = Chain, + = join,
RoCH = ring off chain

Wind two shuttles CTM with about 4½ metres on shuttle 1 and
2 metres on shuttle 2 and ½ metre in between (7 metres altogether)

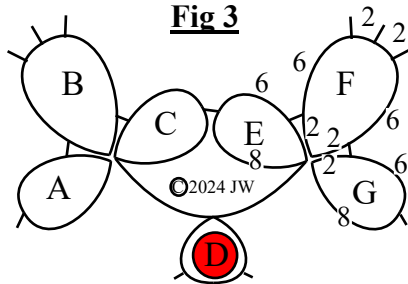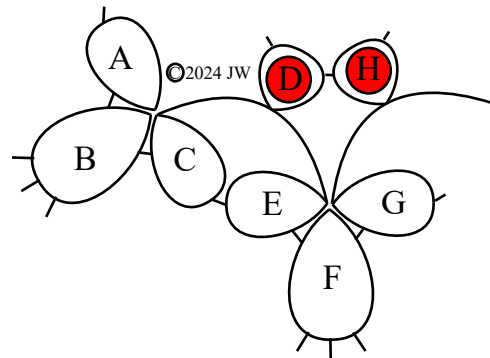| SH,1 | R.A | 8, p, 6, p, 2, cl |
| | R.B | 2, + to ring A, 6, p, 2, p, 2, p, 6, p, 2, cl |
| | R.C | 2, + to ring B, 6, p, 8, cl, (Fig 1) RW |

Fig 1

Fig 2

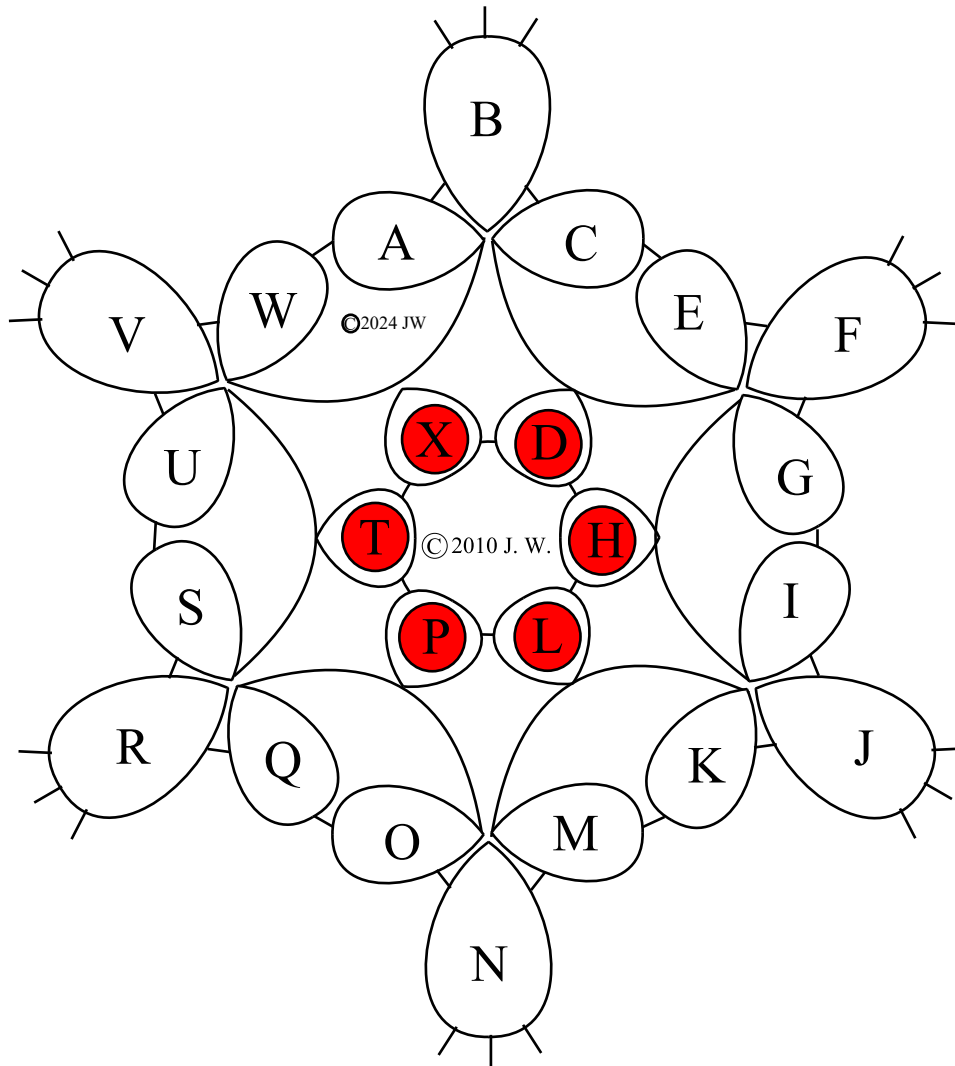| | CH. | (Fig 2) 6, SS, DNRW |
| SH.2 | RoCH D | Add one of the beads to the centre of this ring (see technique sheet) 4, p, 4, p, 4, cl, SS DNRW |
| SH.1 | CH, | 6, tension the chain to curve as in the sample above, RW |

Fig 3

Fig 4

*R.E		(Fig 3) 8, + to the last ring of the previous three ring group, 6, p, 2, cl
R,F		2, + to previous ring, 6, p, 2, p, 2, p, 6, p, 2, cl
R.G		2, + to previous ring, 6, p, 8, cl, RW
CH.		(Fig 4) 6, SS. DNRW
SH.2	RoCH H	Add one of the beads to the centre of this ring as before. 4, + to previous RoCH, 4, p, 4, cl, SS, DNRW
SH.1	CH.	6, tension to curve as in the sample above, RW,**

Repeat from * to ** three more times then continue

SH.1	R.U	8, + tp ring S, 6, p, 2, cl
	R.V	2, + to ring U, 6, 2, p, 2, p, 2, p, 6, p, 2, cl
	R.W	2, + to ring V, 6, + to ring A, 8, cl, RW
	CH.	6, SS, DNRW
SH.2	RoCH X	Add a bead to the centre of this ring as before.
		4, + to RoCH.T, 4, + to RoCH. D, 4, cl, SS, DNRW
SH.1	CH.	6, tension as before

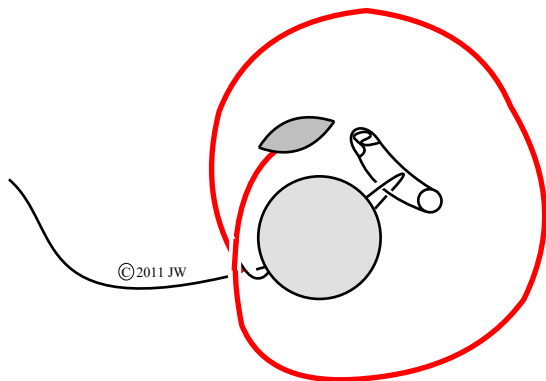Cut and tie to the base of rings A, B and C then secure the ends.

Adding a bead to the centre of a ring - method 2
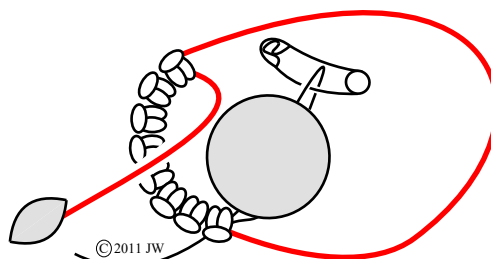
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Thread the bead onto a loop in the shuttle thread that will be used to work the ring. Secure in place using a safety pin. Take the shuttle thread round your hand and back below the bead, as in the diagram below.
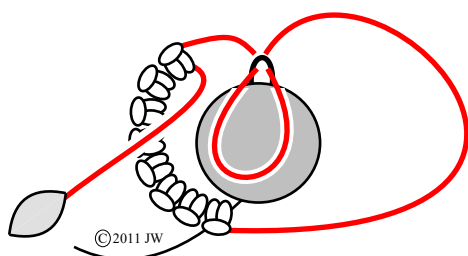
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Work the ring as far as the join
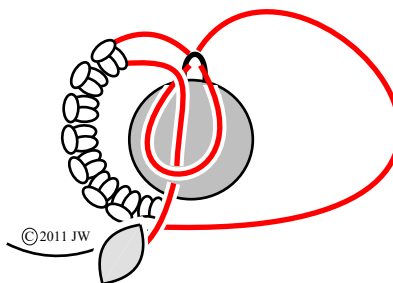Take your shuttle to the left out of the way

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Remove the safety pin carefully and, using a fine crochet hook, pull a loop from the thread round your hand through the small pin hole.
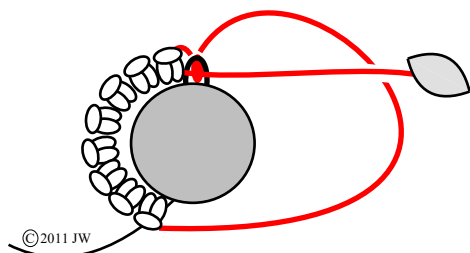
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Pick up the shuttle again and pass it through the loop from the back to the front

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Adjust the threads making sure that the core (shuttle) thread is not pulled back through the safety pin hole

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Work the required number of stitches to complete the ring then pull the core (shuttle) thread to close he ring in the usual way.

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