

Adding a bead to the centre of a ring

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Work the ring following the pattern, but **do not close it.**

Spread the stitches a little, half way round the ring (below the centre picot if there is one) and, with a crochet hook pull down a loop in the 'core' thread that is large enough to take the bead and pass your shuttle through. (diagram 1)

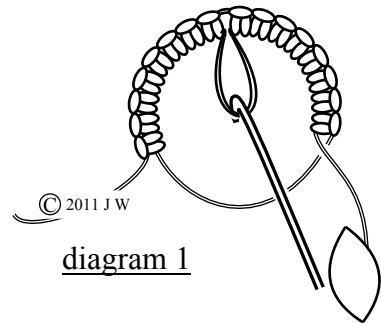


diagram 1

Using your crochet hook, thread the bead onto this loop (diagram 2) and push it up close to the stitches (diagram 3), then pass your shuttle through the loop (diagram 4).

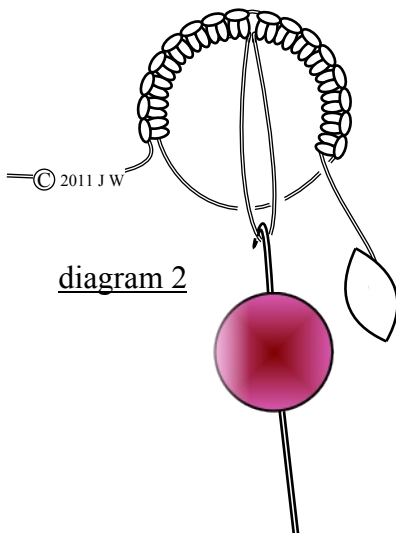


diagram 2

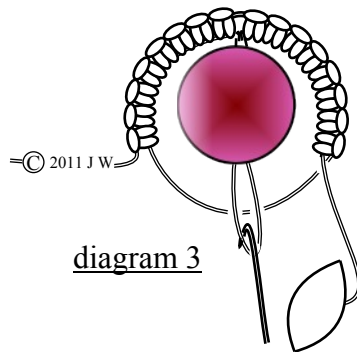


diagram 3

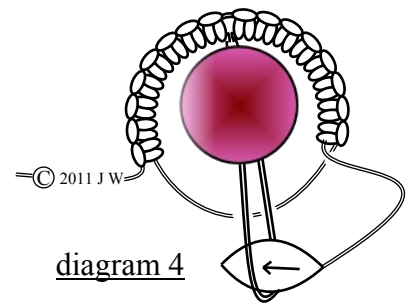


diagram 4

Let go of the shuttle and hold the loop. Carefully pull down one side of the loop - if this makes the shuttle move closer to the ring - STOP Pull down the other side of the loop (diagram 5) and the ring will close round the bead. Continue until it fits snugly round the bead (diagram 6).

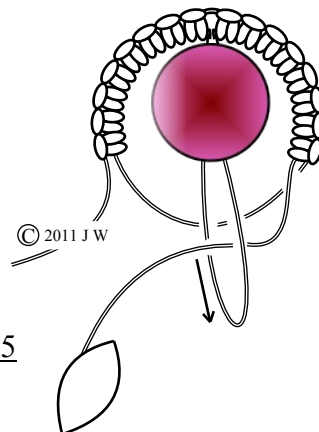


diagram 5

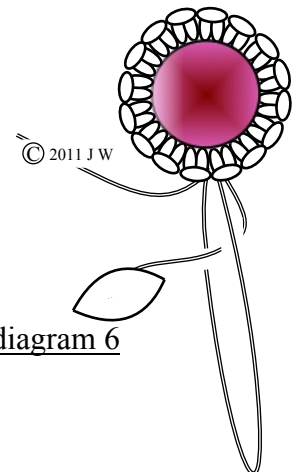


diagram 6

Hold the bead inside the ring and pull the shuttle, firmly, to bring the loop up through the bead, and the stitches on the second side of the ring (diagrams 7 and 8).

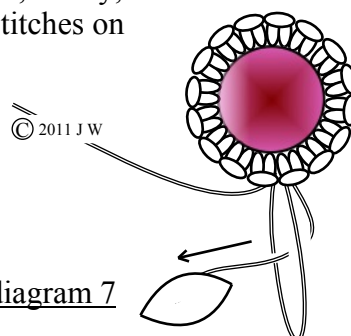


diagram 7

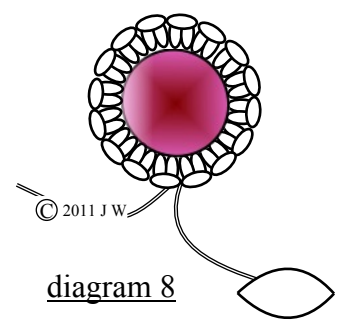


diagram 8