

Another Christmas Angel for 2011

Requirements:

Size 20 thread, a 4 inch (95 mm) wooden figure, at least 2 shuttles, a small paper clip, 74 size 9/11 silver beads and the usual tatting equipment.



Dress

Row 1

Wind 2 shuttles CTM, with 3½ metres on each shuttle

SH.1 R.A 4, p, 4, p, 4, p, 4, cl, RW
LC 2, SS, DNRW

SH.2 R.B 4, p, 4, cl, SS, DNRW
LC 2, RW, SS

*SH.1 R.C 4, + to previous 'large' ring, 4, p, 4, p, 4, cl, RW
LC 2, SS, DNRW

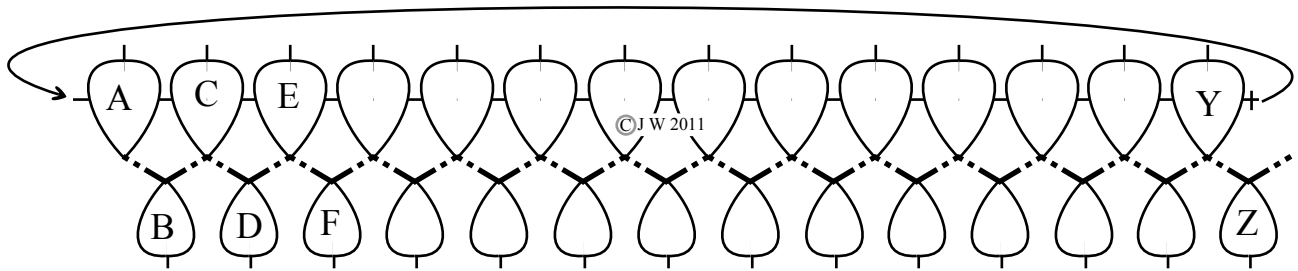
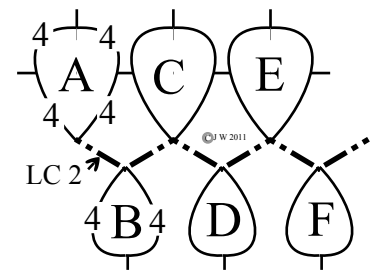
SH.2 R.D 4, p, 4, cl, SS, DNRW
LC 2, RW, SS

Repeat from * until 13 'large' rings and 13 smaller rings have been worked then

SH.1 R.Y 4, + to previous 'large' ring, 4, p, 4, + to ring 'A', 4, cl, RW
LC 2, SS, DNRW

SH.2 R.Z 4, p, 4, cl, SS, DNRW
LC 2,

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



Row 2

Wind 2 shuttles CTM with about 2¾ metres on each shuttle and ½ metre between (6 metres altogether)

The block tatting for this row is worked using 2 shuttles.

Block 1

Use the paper clip as an anchor to work the first row of 'block 1'.

CH.1 5, tension the stitches so that the chain is straight but the core thread should not be visible. (Fig 1)
SS and T.W.O

Fig 1

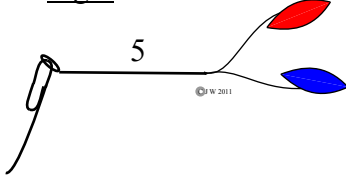


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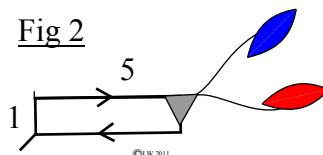
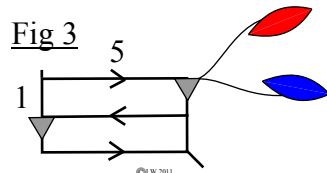


Fig 3



CH.2 p, 1, vsp, 5, work a shuttle join into the small hole left by carefully removing the paper clip, (Fig 2), SS, T.W.O.

CH.3 1, vsp, 5, sj to vsp on 'CH.2', SS, T.W.O (Fig 3)

CH.4 1, vsp, 5, sj to vsp on 'CH.3', SS, T.W.O.

CH.5 1, + to the free picot on one of the 'large' rings of row 1, 5, sj to the vsp on 'CH.4'

Do not SS or T.W.O

Block 2

CH.1 5, tension as before, SS, T.W.O.

CH.2 p, 1, vsp, 5, sj into the small space above the shuttle join on 'CH.5', SS, T.W.O.

CH.3 1, vsp, 5, sj to vsp on 'CH.2', SS, T.W.O.

CH.4 1, vsp, 5, sj to vsp on 'CH.3', SS, T.W.O.

CH.5 1, + to the free picot on one of the 'large' rings of row 1, 5, sj to the vsp on 'CH.4'

Do not SS or T.W.O.

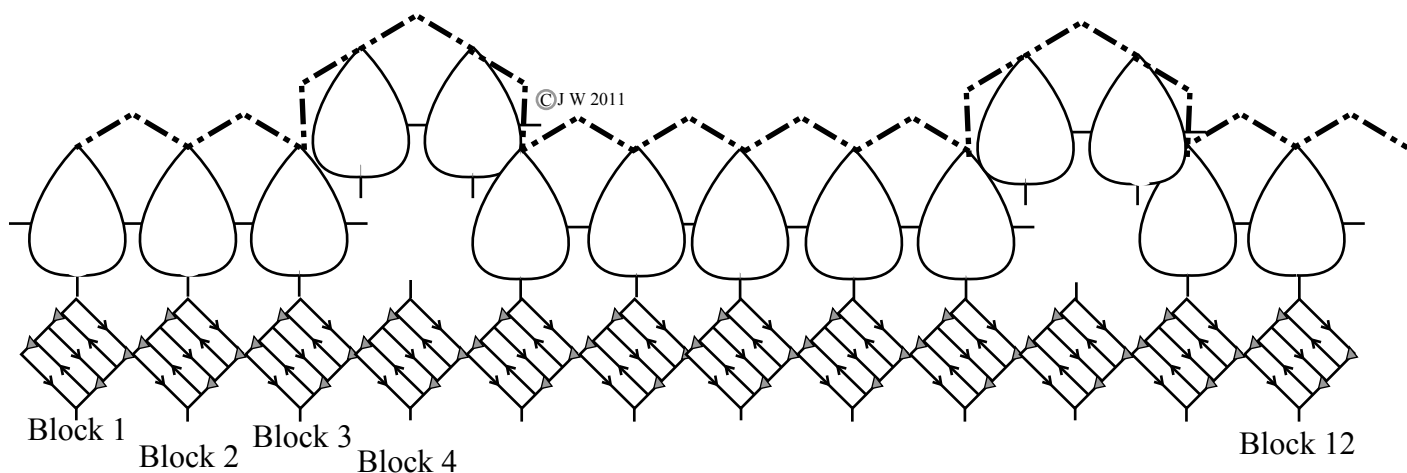
Block 3

Work as for 'Block 2'

Block 4

Work as for 'Block 2' to the end of 'CH.4' then

CH.5 1, p, 5, sj to vsp on 'CH.4'. Do not SS or T.W.O.



Block 5 make the first armhole

Work as for 'Block 2' to the end of 'CH.4' then

CH.5 1, miss the next 2 rings on row 1 and join to the third ring, 5, sj to the vsp on 'CH.4', do not SS or T.W.O.

Blocks 6 - 9

Work as for 'Block 2'

Block 10

Work as for 'Block 4'.

Block 11 make the second armhole

Work as for 'Block 5'

Block 12

Work as for 'Block 2'.

Cut and tie to the start of 'Block 1' then secure the ends.

Row 3

Fully wind 2 shuttles CTM

SH.1 R.A 5, p, 2, p, 5, cl, RW

CH 3, p, 3, p, 3, p, 3, RW.

R.B 5, + to the previous ring, 2, p, 5, cl, RW

CH. 3, p, 3, + to one of the 'Blocks' on row 2, 3, p, 3, RW

R.C 5, + to the previous ring, 2, p, 5, cl, RW

CH. 3, p, 3, + to the adjacent 'Block' on row 2, 3, p, 3, RW

R.D 5, + to the previous ring, 2, p, 5, cl, RW

CH 3, p, 3, p, 3, p, 3, RW.

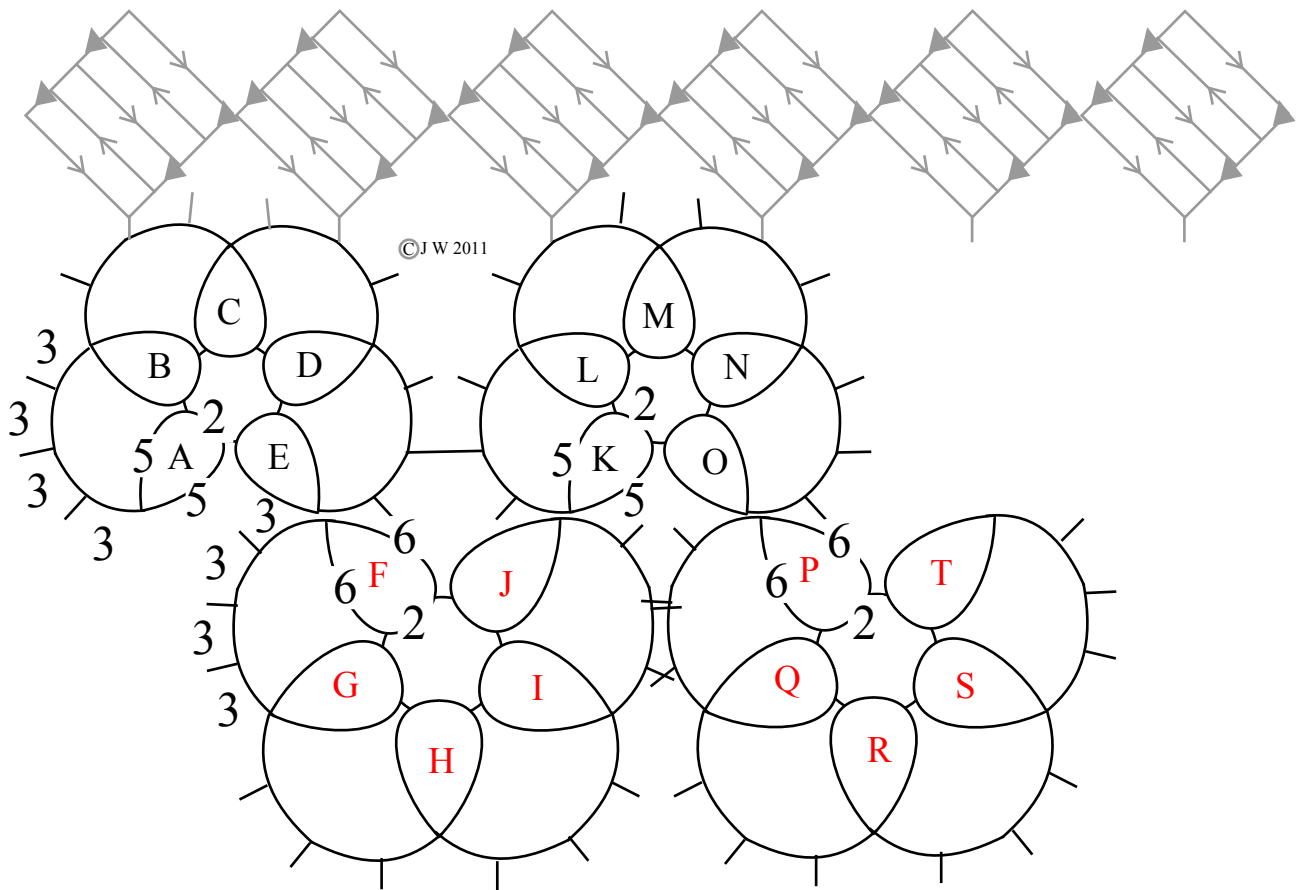
R.E 5, + to ring 'D', 2, + to ring 'A', 5, cl, RW, SS

SH.2 **R,F** 6, p, 2, p, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, p, 3, p, 3, RW
 ***R.G** 6, + to previous ring, 2, p, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, p, 3, p, 3, RW

Repeat from * twice more

R.J 6, + to ring 'I', 2, + to ring 'F', 6, cl, RW, SS

#SH.1 **R.K** 5, p, 2, p, 5, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, + to the centre picot on the chain between rings 'D' and 'E' of the first 'flower', 3, p, 3, RW
R.L 5, + to the previous ring, 2, p, 5, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, + to the adjacent 'Block' on row 2, 3, p, 3, RW
R.M 5, + to the previous ring, 2, p, 5, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, + to the adjacent 'Block' on row 2, 3, p, 3, RW
R.N 5, + to the previous ring, 2, p, 5, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, p, 3, p, 3, RW
R.O 5, + to the previous ring, 2, + to ring 'K', 5, cl, RW, SS



SH.2 **R,P** 6, p, 2, p, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, p, 3, p, 3, RW
 ***R.Q** 6, + to previous ring, 2, p, 6, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, p, 3, p, 3, RW

Repeat from * twice more

R.T 6, + to the previous ring, 2, + to the first ring in this 'flower', 6, cl, RW, SS

Repeat from # four times more remembering to join the final chain of the 6th 'small flower' to the 1st chain of the first 'small flower'.

After completing the 6th 'large flower' cut and tie to the base of ring 'A' on the 1st 'small flower' at the beginning of the row. Secure the ends.

Row 4

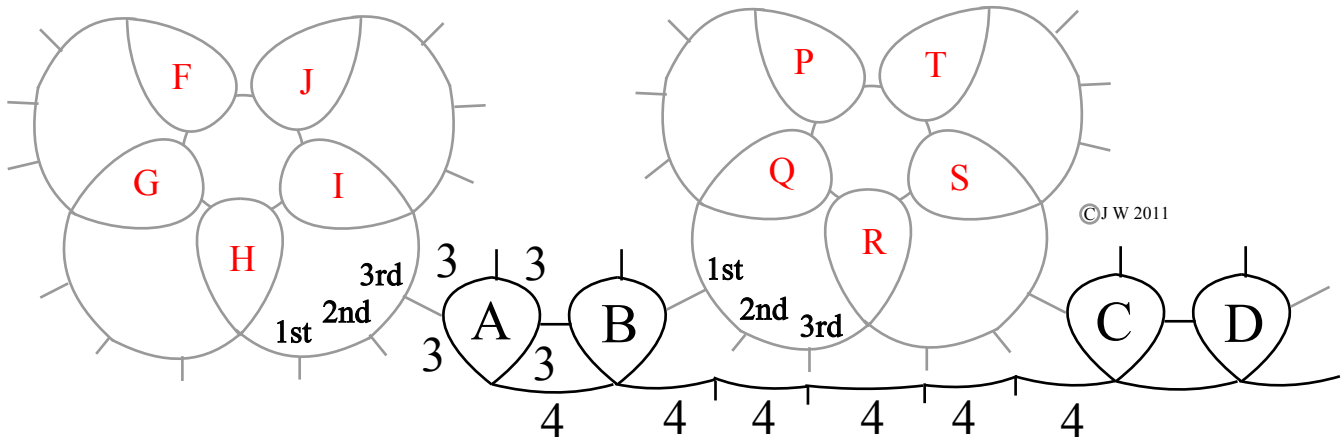
Wind about 4 metres on your shuttle. Do not cut.

R.A 3, + to the third picot on the third chain of a 'large flower' on the third row , 3, p, 3, p, 3, cl, RW

CH. 4, RW

R.B 3, + to the previous ring, 3, p, 3, + to the first picot on the second chain on the next 'large flower' on the third row, 3, cl, RW

CH. 4, (vsp, 4) x 4, RW



Repeat from the beginning of the row five times more then work a shuttle join to the base of the first ring. Do not cut.

Row 2

CH. 4, sj to base of the next ring, (4, sj to vsp) x 4, 4, sj to base of next ring,

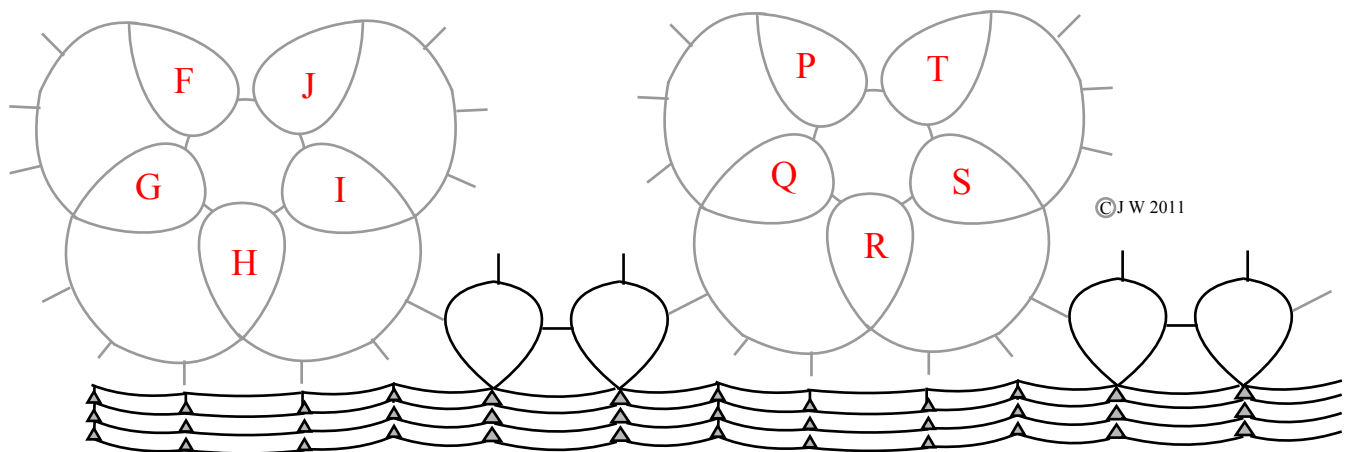
Repeat from the beginning of the row five times more, making the last shuttle join into the base of the first Ring. Do not cut.

Rows 3 and 4

CH. 4, sj into the small space above the sj of the previous row. Repeat to the end of the row.

At the end of the fourth row, omit the shuttle join, cut and tie to the beginning of the row.

Secure the ends.

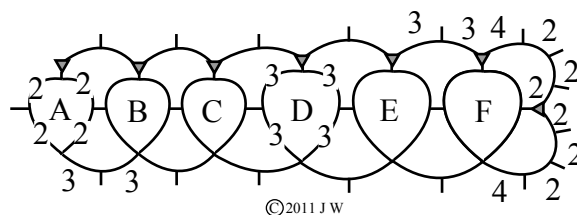


Sleeves (make two)

Wind about 3 metres on your shuttle. Do not cut.

Row 1

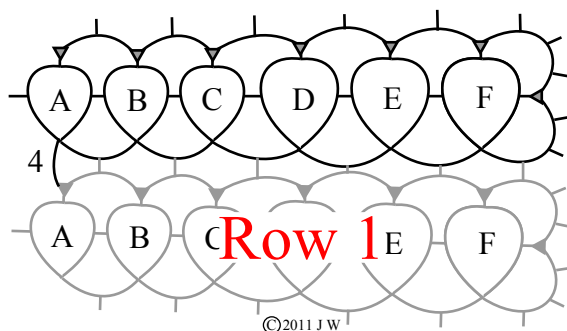
- R.A 2, p, 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, RW
 R.B 2, + to ring 'A', 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, RW
 R.C 2, + to ring 'B', 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, RW
 R.D 3, + to ring 'C', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, RW
 R.E 3, + to ring 'D', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 3, p, 3, RW
 R.F 3, + to ring 'E', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 4, p, 2, p, 2, p, 2, sj to last picot on ring 'F'
 CH. 2, p, 2, p, 2, p, 4, sj to vsp on ring 'F'
 *CH. 3, p, 3, sj to vsp on next ring



Repeat from * 4 more times

Row 2

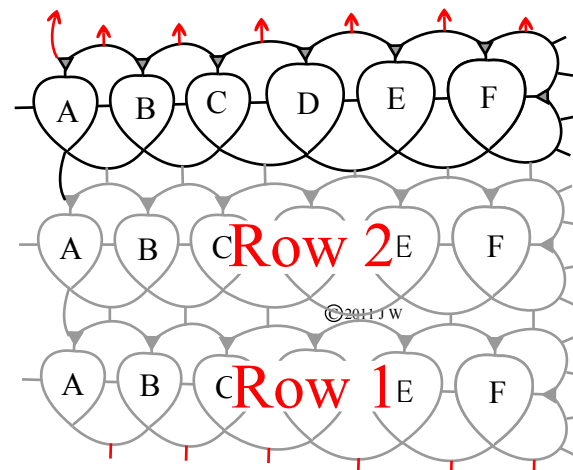
- CH. 4, RW
 R.A 2, p, 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'A' and 'B' on 1st row, 3, RW
 R.B 2, + to ring 'A', 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'B' and 'C' on 1st row, 3, RW
 R.C 2, + to ring 'B', 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'C' and 'D' on 1st row, 3, RW
 R.D 3, + to ring 'C', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'D' and 'E' on 1st row, 3, RW
 R.E 3, + to ring 'D', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'E' and 'F' on 1st row, 3, RW
 R.F 3, + to ring 'E', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 4, + to adjacent picot on 1st row, 2, p, 2, p, 2, sj to the last picot on ring 'F'
 CH. 2, p, 2, p, 2, p, 4, sj to vsp on ring 'F'
 *CH. 3, p, 3, sj to vsp on next ring



Repeat from * 4 more times

Row 3

- CH. 4, RW
 R.A 2, p, 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'A' and 'B' on 2nd row, 3, RW
 R.B 2, + to ring 'A', 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'B' and 'C' on 2nd row, 3, RW
 R.C 2, + to ring 'B', 2, vsp, 2, p, 2, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'C' and 'D' on 2nd row, 3, RW
 R.D 3, + to ring 'C', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'D' and 'E' on 2nd row, 3, RW
 R.E 3, + to ring 'D', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 3, + to chain between rings 'E' and 'F' on 2nd row, 3, RW
 R.F 3, + to ring 'E', 3, vsp, 3, p, 3, cl, RW
 CH. 4, + to adjacent picot on 2nd row, 2, p, 2, p, 2, sj to last picot on ring 'F'
 CH. 2, p, 2, p, 2, + to corresponding picot on 1st row, 4, sj to vsp on ring 'F'
 *CH. 3, + to corresponding chain on 1st row, 3, sj to vsp on next ring



Repeat from * 4 more times

Head dress

String 3 size 9/11 beads then wind 1 shuttle with 1½ metres and cut from the ball. Keep the beads on the shuttle because they will be needed for the centre ring.

Wind a second shuttle with about 1 metre but do not cut from the ball.

Use a small paperclip as an anchor to retain a loop for joining the pearl tatting into a circle.

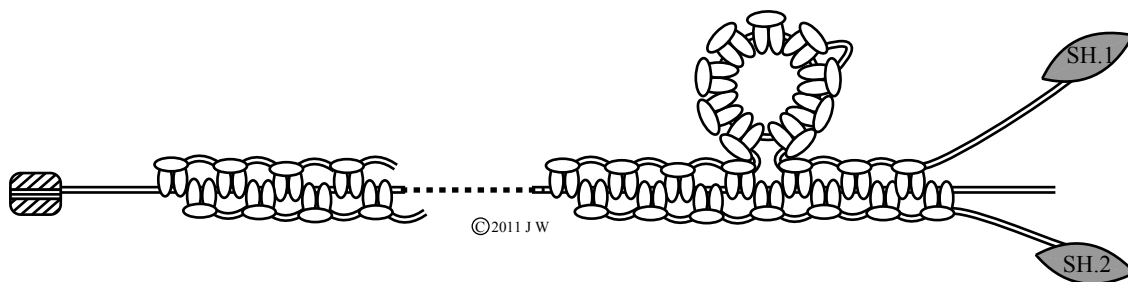


Pearl tat (using the ball thread attached to shuttle 2 as the core thread) working 1 double stitch - reverse tatted with alternate shuttles. Tat 17 double stitches with each shuttle ending with shuttle 2

Using shuttle 1

R.A 6, sp, 3, cl, DNRW

Pearl tat 3 double stitches with each shuttle (ending with shuttle 2)



Using shuttle

R.B 3, + to previous ring, 4, sp, 4, cl, DNRW

Pearl tat 3 double stitches with each shuttle (ending with shuttle 2)

Using shuttle 1 bring up the three beads into the ring round your hand,

R.C 4, + to previous ring, 3, 5 second half stitches, 3B, 5 first half stitches, 3, sp, 4, cl, DNRW

Pearl tat 3 double stitches with each shuttle (ending with shuttle 2)

Using shuttle 1

R.D 4, + to previous ring, 4, sp, 3, cl, DNRW

Pearl tat 3 double stitches with each shuttle (ending with shuttle 2)

Using shuttle 1

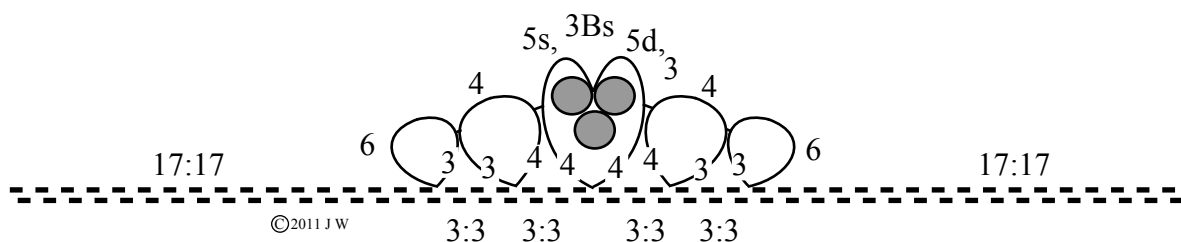
R.E 3, + to previous ring, 6, cl, DNRW

Pearl tat 17 double stitches with each shuttle.

Tension to fit round the head of the angel (approximately 3 inches /8 cm).

Cut and tie to the start.

Secure ends and attach to the head with a little glue.



Wings

First wing String 30 beads then wind approximately 3 metres, with the beads, on your shuttle. Do not cut.

R.A bring up 4 beads into the ring round your hand
8, p, 4, 4B plus a space the size of a bead, 4, cl

R.B bring up 4 beads into the ring round your hand
4, move one bead on the picot on ring 'A' to the left and make a join, 3, p, 2, p, 3, 4B plus a space the size of a bead, 4, cl

R.C 4, move one bead on the picot on ring 'B' to the left and make a join, 4, p, 8, cl, RW

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, sj to the picot on ring 'C'

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, RW

R.D 8, + to ring 'C', 4, move one bead on the picot on ring 'B' to the left and make a join, 4, cl

R.E bring up 4 beads into the ring round your hand
4, move one bead on the picot on ring 'B' to the left and make a join, 3, add a bead and + to adjacent picot on ring 'B', 2, p, 3, 4B plus a space the size of a bead, 4, cl

R.F 4, move one bead on the picot on ring 'E' to the left and make a join, 4, p, 8, cl, RW

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, sj to the picot on ring 'F'

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, RW

R.G 8, + to ring 'F', 4, move one bead on the picot on ring 'E' to the left and make a join, 4, cl

R.H bring 3 beads into the ring round your hand
4, move one bead on the picot on ring 'E' to the left and make a join, 3, add a bead and join to ring 'E', 2, p, 4, 3B, 4, cl

R.I bring up 3 beads into the ring round your hand
4, 3B, 4, p, 8, cl

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, sj to the picot on ring 'I'

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, RW

R.J bring 3 beads into the ring round your hand
8, + to ring 'I', 4, 3B, 4, cl

R.K bring 3 beads into the ring round your hand
4, 3B, 4, p, 8, cl, RW

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, sj to the picot on ring 'K'

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, RW

R.L bring 3 beads into the ring round your hand
8, + to ring 'K', 4, 3B, 4, cl

R.M bring 3 beads into the ring round your hand
4, 3B, 3, add a bead and + to ring 'H', 2, add a bead and + to ring 'B', 3, move one bead on the beaded picot on ring 'A' to the left and make a join, 4, cl

R.N 4, move one bead on the picot on ring 'A' to the left and make a join,
4, + to adjacent picot on ring 'A', 8, cl, RW

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5, sj to same picot on ring 'A'

CH. 2, (p, 2) x 5,

Cut and tie to the base of rings 'A', 'B' and 'C'.

Secure ends.

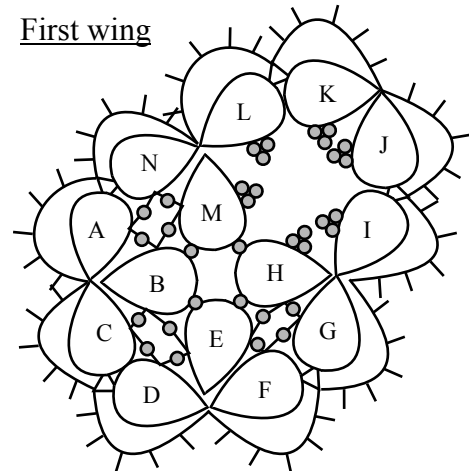
Second wing

String 30 beads and wind approximately 3 metres on your shuttle, with the beads. Do not cut.

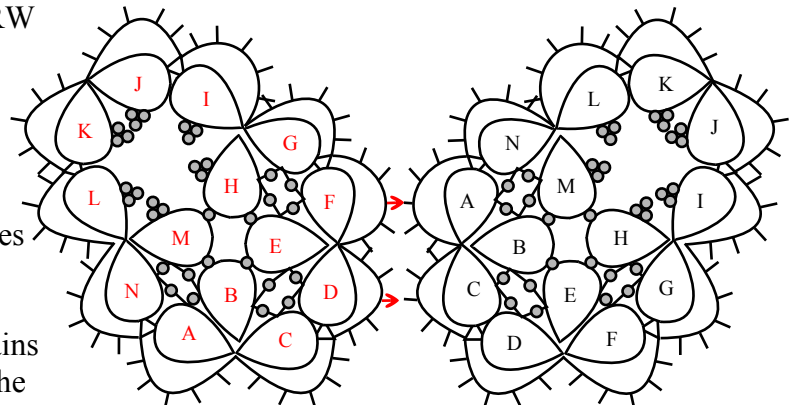
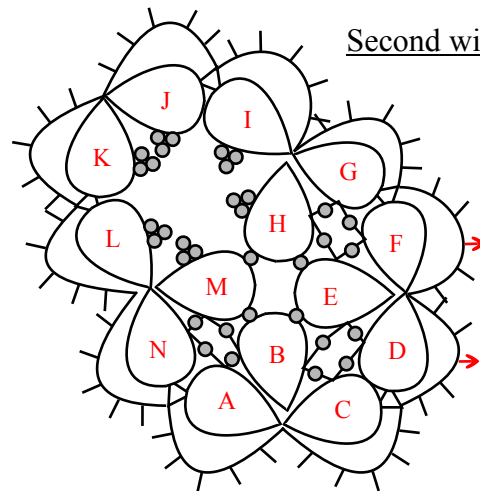
Follow the instructions as for the first wing remembering to join to the first wing on the chains before and following rings 'D', 'E' and 'F' as in the diagram opposite.



First wing



Second wing



Assemble the Angel

Using the cut ends left when the sleeves were completed, tie the sleeves into the arm holes in two or three places. Do not sew the sleeves in place all the way round the armholes because this may distort the shape of the yolk and skirt.

Take the pipe cleaner and bend back about ¼ inch (5 mm) for the 'hands' on both ends then thread each 'hand' down a sleeve.

Place the dress on the angel with the pipe cleaner behind the figure - this will give you something extra to attach the wings to later.

Weave the ribbon in and out of the little holes (between the picots on the starting chain) and tie in a bow at the front as in the picture.

Bring the pipe cleaner 'arms' together and interlock the 'hands' to hold them together.

Glue the head-dress in place and allow to dry before drawing the face and hair.

NB test the pens on the base of the wooden figure to check that the ink doesn't 'bleed'

Cut a length of the thread used for the wings and use it to catch the wings in place on the back of the angel.