

“THISTLE DO PIN”

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MATERIALS:

6 Yards of #30 Green Thread
3 Yards of #30 Light Purple
3 Yards of #30 Dark Purple
37 Dark green seed beads

ABBREVIATIONS:

R - Ring
CH - Chain
DS - Double Stitch
SBU - Slide Bead Up
/ - Split Ring
P - Picot
JK - Josephine Stitch
CLS - Close Ring

DIRECTIONS:

Ring-1 ds, SBU(slide bead up), 2 ds, SBU, 2 ds, SBU,
4 ds, P, 3 ds, P, 3 ds, cls.

Leave approximately 1/4 inch of bare thread then start next ring

Ring 1 – Slide 1 bead up so it is inside the loom hand and will be ready
to slide into place for mignonette ring.
4 ds, join to the next bead of the previous ring, 4 ds,
SBU (slide bead up), cls.

Leave approximately 1/8 inch of bare thread then start next ring

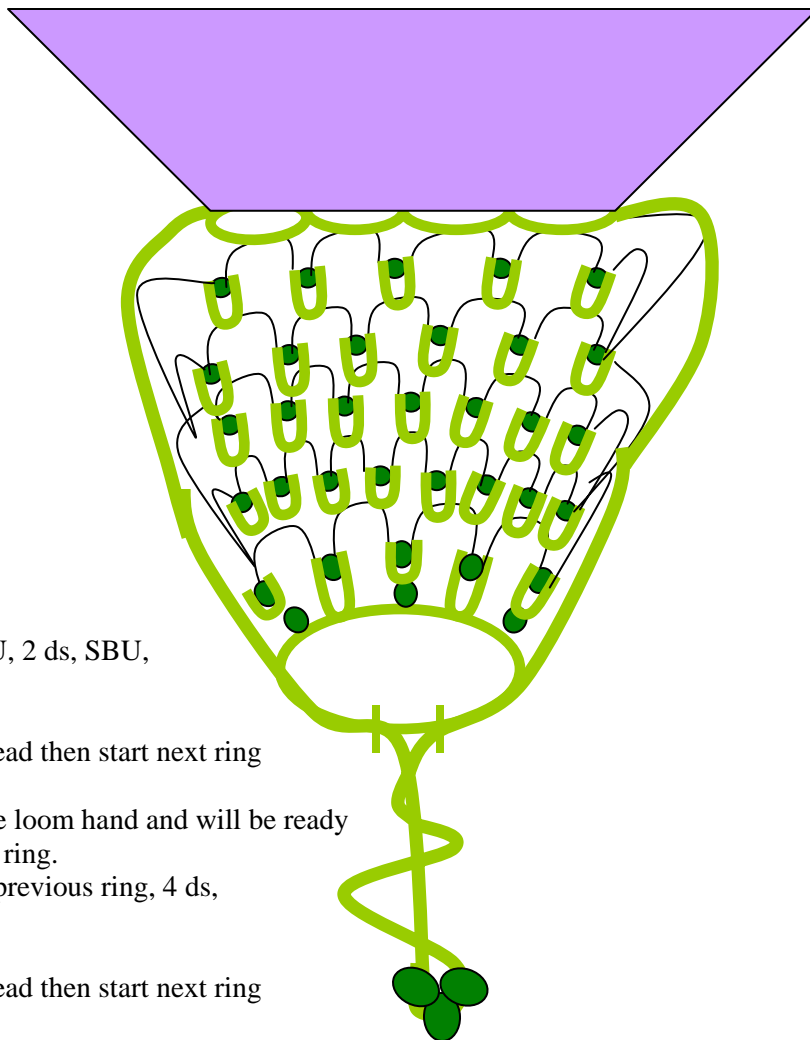
Ring 2 – Slide 1 bead up so it is inside the loom hand and will be ready
to slide into place for mignonette ring. 4 ds, join to the next space of the
previous ring, 4 ds, SBU (slide bead up), cls.

Repeat these 2 rings once . Then repeat Ring 1 once more.

Leave approximately 1/8 inch of bare thread and attach to the base of the bead on the first ring with a ds.
Stepping up leave approximately 1/4 inch of bare thread to step up to the next row of mignonette rings.

*Ring 3 (and all subsequent mignonette rings) Slide 1 bead up so it is inside the loom hand and will be ready
to slide into place for mignonette ring. 4 ds, join to the next bare thread from the previous row 4 ds,
SBU (slide bead up), cls. Leave approximately 1/8 inch bare thread before starting next mignonette
ring.

Repeat Ring 3 in the same bare thread space. (You now have 2 mignonette rings on the same bare thread)*
Repeat * to * 3 more times. (8 mignonette rings on this row)



Leave approximately 1/8 inch of bare thread and attach to the bare thread of the previous row with a ds. Stepping up leave approximately 1/4 inch of bare thread to step up to the next row of mignonette rings.

[Ring 4 (and all subsequent mignonette rings) Slide 1 bead up so it is inside the loom hand and will be ready to slide into place for mignonette ring. 4 ds, join to the next bare thread from the previous row 4 ds, SBU (slide bead up), cls. Leave approximately 1/8 inch bare thread before starting next mignonette ring.

Repeat ring 4 across row making 1 mignonette ring on each bare thread (7 mignonette rings)

Leave approximately 1/8 inch of bare thread and attach to the bare thread of the previous row a ds. Stepping up leave approximately 1/4 inch of bare thread to step up to the next row of mignonette rings].

Repeat from[to] once. This time there will be (6 mignonette rings in the row)

Repeat from[to] once. This time there will be 5 mignonette rings in the row.

Join the purple (double thread) to the green and leave a long end. You will not need to hide this end as it will be part of the flower later. Make 4 split rings as follows:

Split Ring: With Green thread make 2 ds, join to first bare thread of last row, 2 ds, / (split), with purple thread (doubled) **1 ds, 1 very long picot (approximately 1 1/2 to 2 inches)** , repeat from ** to ** 3 more times, 1 ds, cls ring. The long purple picots will be frayed later and brushed to make the flower on top.

Repeat Split ring 3 more times working across the last row of mignonette spaces. (4 split rings in total)

Continue with the green thread chain (using the purple doubled thread as the core thread) make a comfortable amount of chains attaching them to the bare threads along the side of the thistle bulb which was formed with the mignonette rings. The amount of ds stitches may vary depending on the length of bare thread between rows. Work to the base then make 3 ds, join to first picot on base ring.

Stem:

Then make a chain of 25 ds, slide up the last 3 beads then make 15 Josephine stitches (first half of the double stitch), turning back on the 25 ds join to the ds. Make 15 more Josephine stitches and join again. Make 20 more Josephine stitches then join to the next picot at the base of the first ring. (50 Josephine stitches in total).

Next work back up the other side of the thistle bulb starting with 3 ds and continuing with the green thread chain (using the purple doubled thread as the core thread) make a comfortable amount of chains attaching them to the bare threads along the side of the thistle bulb which was formed with the mignonette rings. The amount of ds stitches may vary depending on the length of bare thread between rows.

Finish by joining into the split ring at the top of the thistle. Leave approximately 8 inch length of green thread which will be used to attach the pin back.

Leave approximately 2 inches of the purple which will be frayed and brushed as part of the flower.

This project is done in one pass adding the purple in along the way.

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