

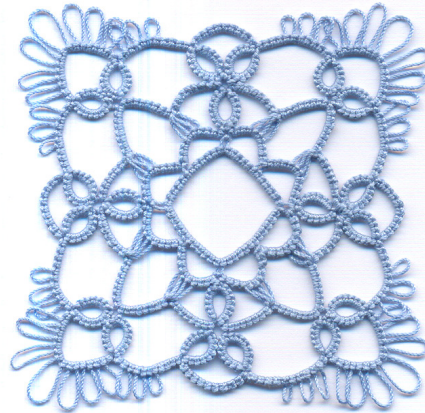
A Square Motif - using small, medium, gathered and graduated picots.

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This Motif was designed as an exercise to practise using different sizes of picot gauges.

Requirements: size 20 thread, shuttle and various picot gauges – an opened out paper clip, one measuring .5 cm and 7 gauges ('a' – 'g') graded in size from .4 cm to 1cm - these are best cut from card each about 5 cm long and of the widths stated above.

NB The picots for this pattern are made by holding the picot gauge parallel to the core thread (see attached sheet)



Abbreviations:

CH = chain

sp = small picot, just large enough to put your hook through to make a join

mp = medium picot made using an opened out paper clip as the picot gauge

Lp = long picot made using a .5 cm picot gauge

pa = picot using picot gauge 'a'

similarly, pb, pc, pd, pe, pf, and pg = picots using the corresponding graded in size picot gauges.

R = ring + = join sj = shuttle join cl = close ring RW = reverse work

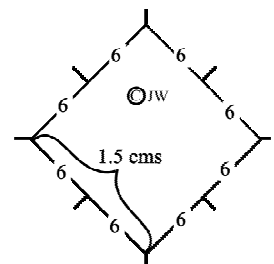
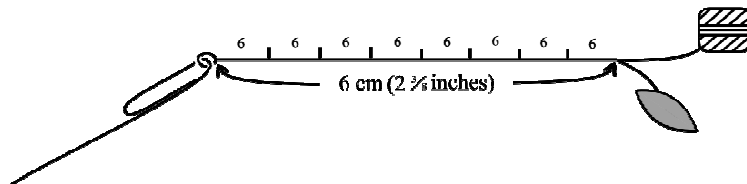
Rows 1 and 2 are worked continuously - without cutting the thread between the rows.

ROW 1 Wind $\frac{3}{4}$ metres size 20 thread onto your shuttle. Do not cut

The first row is a chain, so start by using a paper clip as an anchor (something to hold), this will keep a picot (small hole) to which to join at the end of the row.

CH. 6, (sp, 6,) 7 times; adjust the chain to measure 6 cm ($2\frac{3}{8}$ inches)

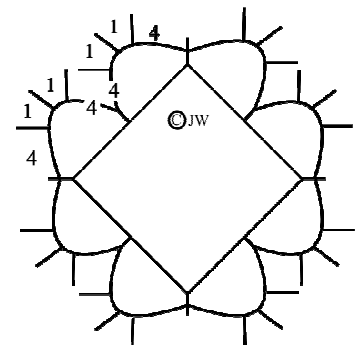
Remove the paper clip and, with a crochet hook pull a loop from the shuttle thread through the small hole left by the paper clip, then (instead of making a shuttle join) pass the ball through the loop, and make a lock stitch (1st half turned 2nd half not turned). This makes a very small false picot.



ROW 2 Use a .5 cm picot gauge for the Lps in this row

*CH. 4, (Lp, 1,) three times, 3, sj to next picot on 1st row.

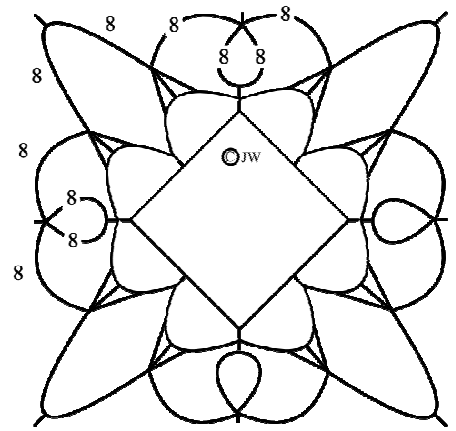
Repeat from * seven times more making the last join into the false picot. Cut and secure the ends.



ROW 3 Wind about 2 metres on your shuttle. Do not cut.

- R. 8, + (above the start of rows 1 and 2), 8, cl, RW
- *CH mp, 8, with a crochet hook 'gather' the 3 Lps on the nearest chain of row 2 and join them together by working a shuttle join
- CH. 8, mp, 8, gather the 3 Lps on the next chain of previous row and work a sj
- CH. 8 ** RW
- R. 8, + to the space between chains on row 2, 8, cl RW***

Repeat from * to *** twice more and then from * to ** once.
Cut and tie to the mp at the base of the first ring.
Secure ends.



ROW 4 Wind about 3 meters CTM.

- § R. 8, + to the sp at the base of a ring of 3rd row, 8, cl, RW
- CH. 10, RW
- R. 8, + (to same sp as previous ring), 8, cl, RW
- CH 5, pa, 2, pb, 2, pc, 2, RW
- R. 8, + (to p on next chain of 3rd row), 8, cl, RW
- CH. 2, pd, 2, pe, 2, pf, 2, pg, 2, pf, 2, pe, 2, pd, 2, RW
- R. 8, + (to same mp as previous ring), 8, cl, RW
- CH. 2, pc, 2, pb, 2, pa, 5, RW

Repeat from § three times more to complete the round.
Cut and tie to base of the first ring. Secure ends.

