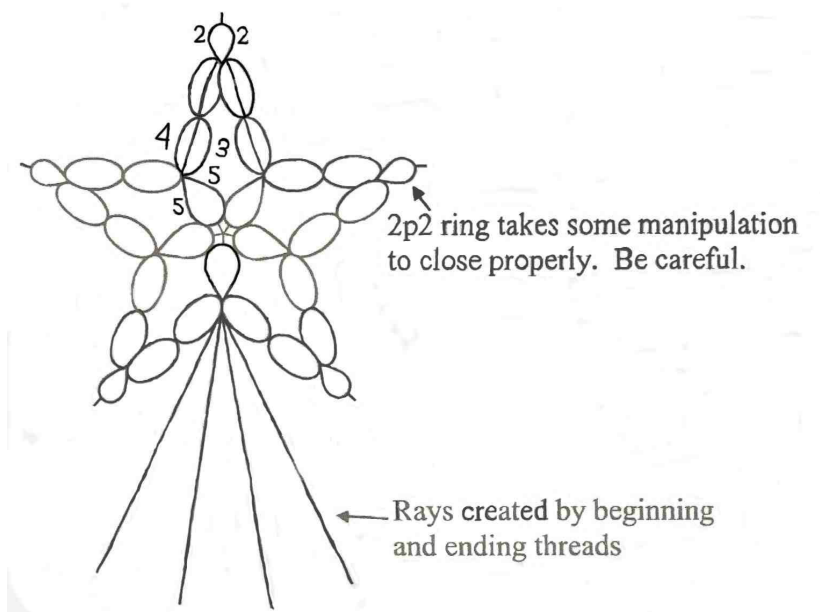


Star of Bethlehem by Jenni Sherriff with revisions by Mary Maynard.



In order for the star to be in the proper proportion to the other pieces, it must be tatted in a much smaller thread. I used a size 80 here.

Leave 6-8 inch tails when beginning, they will be needed later.

R1: 5ds, p, 5ds, cl

*SR1: 3/4, cl

SR2: repeat SR 1 RW & SS (Switch shuttles)

R2: 2ds, p, 2ds, RODS (reverse order double stitch), post shuttle through ring before closing, cl SS

SR3: repeat SR 1

SR4: repeat SR 1

R3: 5ds, j to p of R1, 5ds, cl*

Repeat between *s 4 times then

SR1: 3/4, cl

SR2: repeat SR 1

R2: 2ds, p, 2ds, cl

SR3: repeat SR 1

SR4: repeat SR 1 Cut and tie, leaving 6-8 inches of thread

When couching star onto the base fabric, securely sew down all 5 points and then sew the tails down to look like rays of light. An embroidery backstitch would require longer tails but would look lovely.

Mary's model uses two colors to show how the split rings work in this design.

Original pattern: <http://www.georgiaseitz.com/2010/jennisnativityfull.pdf>