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Originally designed for the Palmetto tatters Tat Days in 2007. This frog uses a continuous thread join which is another way of working back over a part of the work without using a chain.

Materials required - Thread no. 20. Bugle beads (32), seed beads for end of toes (16) and 2 large beads for the eyes (about ¼”).

N.B. each toe consists of 1 bugle, 1 small bead, 1 bugle. There are four toes on each foot!

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain
- or p	picot	SR	split ring
/	after the / make 2nd half of SR	B	move bead in place of picot
Bet	between	vsp	very small picot (smallest you can make)
Sh1	Shuttle 1	Sh2	Shuttle 2
Lj	lock join	+	Join
Cl	close	T & C	Tie and close
CTJ	continuous thread join	SCMR	self closing mock ring
DNRW	do not reverse work	Mb	move bead on core thread
Fp	false picot	SSh	switch shuttles

CTJ: This is made by holding the shuttle with thread closest to last SR in the left hand and pulling it up or down (as stated in pattern) through the VSP and taking the other shuttle thread through the loop formed. Continue through each successive VSP.

Before starting add beads for one foot to Sh1 & beads for three feet to Sh2. The eye beads will be added to the centre of the SR later.

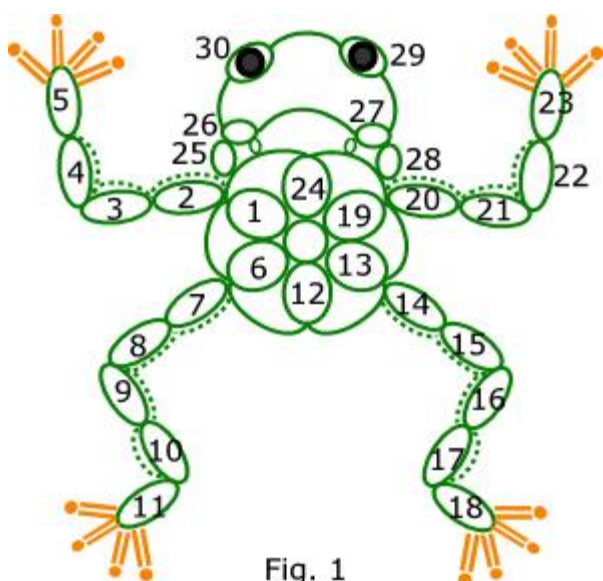


Fig. 1

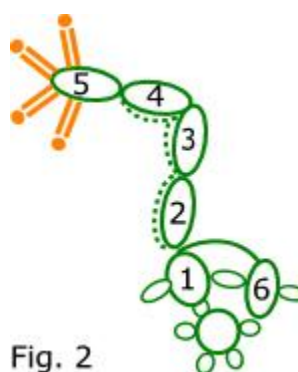


Fig. 2

Body – Using Sh1 in the right hand as the working shuttle.

SCMR1: 3 – 2 SSh

R: Fp 1 – 1 – 1 – 1 – 1 – 1 Cl SSh return to SCMR

SCMR1 Fp 2 – 3 CI RW

Upper Left Leg – NB leave very small spaces between SR's for joining CTJ

SR2: 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * 4 times (5 VSP's) / 6 CI

SR3: 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * twice VSP 2 (4 VSP's) / 6 CI RW

Ch: 3 RW

SR4: 3 + (last VSP SR3) 1 VSP 1 VSP 1 (2 VSP's) / 6 CI RW SSh.

You should now be using SH2. Before starting next R place all beads needed for 4 toes at back of hand (each toe needs 1 bugle, 1 round bead, 1 bugle).

R5: 4 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 4 CI RW

CTJ DOWN through VSP's on SR4, space Bet SR4 & SR3, VSP's on SR3 space Bet SR3 & SR2, VSP's on SR2 & space Bet SR2 & SCMR1.

Turn work so that the SCMR faces downwards and foot upwards and to the left – see fig. 2.

Take one shuttle over and the other under space Bet the SCMR and SR2 & continue with

Ch: 8 RW

Lower Left Leg – NB leave very small spaces between SR's for joining CTJ

R6: 3 + (SCMR1) 2 + (next p ring on SCMR) 2 – 3 CI DNRW

SR7: 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * 4 times (5 VSP's) / 6 CI

SR8: 1 VSP 1 VSP 1 VSP 3 / 6 CI RW

Ch: 3 RW

SR9: 3 + (last VSP SR8) 1 VSP 1 VSP 1 / 6 CI

SR10: 6 / 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * twice (3 VSP's) 2 CI

You should still be using SH2 to make the next R. Before starting place all beads needed for toes as before.

R11: 6 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 CI RW

CTJ DOWN through VSP's on SR10, space Bet SR10 & VSP's on SR9. Turn work over taking one thread over & one under space Bet SR10 & SR9 continue CTJ bringing thread UP through VSP's on SR9, space Bet SR9 & SR8, VSP's on SR8, space Bet SR8 & SR7, VSP's on SR7 & base SR7 & SCMR1 RW SSh – adjust leg before continuing if it needs it (you will now be using SH1).

Lower Body

Ch: 8 RW

R12: 3 + (R6) 2 + (next p centre ring) 2 – 3 CI RW

Ch: 8 RW

R13: 3 + (R12) 2 + (next p centre ring) 2 – 3 CI DNRW

Lower Right Leg – NB leave very small spaces between SR's for joining CTJ

SR14: 6 / 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * 4 times (5 VSP's) CI

SR15: 6 / 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * twice (3 VSP's) 2 CI SSh DNRW

Ch: 3 SSh DNRW

SR16: 6 / 3 + (last VSP SR15) 1 VSP 1 VSP 1 CI

SR17: 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * twice (3 VSP's) 2 / 6 CI RW SSh Before starting next R place all beads needed for toes as before. You are now using SH2

R18: 6 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 CI RW

CTJ DOWN through VSP's on SR17, space Bet SR17 VSP's on SR16. Turn work over taking one thread over & one under space Bet SR17 & SR16 continue CTJ bringing thread UP through VSP's on SR16, space Bet SR16 & SR15, VSP's on SR15, space Bet SR15 & SR14, VSP's on SR14 & base SR14 RW & turn work so that lower legs facing to the left. Take 1 thread over & one under base R13. N.B. you are still using SH2

Body

Ch: 8 RW

R19: 3 + (R13) 2 + (centre ring) 2 – 3 CI DNRW

Top Right Leg – NB leave very small spaces between SR's for joining CTJ

SR20: 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * 4 times (5 VSP's) / 6 CI

SR21: 1 *VSP 1 repeat from * twice (3 VSP's) 2 / 6 CI RW

Ch: 3 RW

SR22: 3 + (last VSP SR21) 1 VSP 1 VSP 1 / 6 CI RW SSh You will now be using SH1 - before starting next R place all beads needed for toes as before.

R23: 4 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 2 Mb (bugle, B, bugle) 4 CI RW

CTJ UP through VSP's on SR22, space Bet SR22 & SR21, VSP's on SR21 space Bet SR21 & SR20 & VSP's on SR20. Join to base R19. RW

Ch: 4 - 4 RW

R24: 3 + (R19) 2 + (next p centre ring) 2 + (SCMR1) 3 CI RW

Ch: 4 - 4 LJ (base SCMR1) SSh

Head

SR25: 4 / 4 CI

SR26: 2 + (p on last Ch) / 2 CI RW

Ch: 10 RW

SR27: 2 + (p on last but one Ch on body) / 2 CI DNRW

R28: 4 + (base R19 on body) 4 CI SSh DNRW

Ch: 6 RW

SR29: 8 / 8 pull core thread down from below centre of SR & add eye bead, put Wsh through the loop and carefully close SR RW

Ch: 8 RW

SR30: 8 / 8 add bead as SR29 CI RW

Ch: 6 T & C to base SR26 T & C

If you need any further help with this pattern then please [email me.](mailto:)