Victorian Lace Ornament

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SKILL LEVEL: Easy (Advanced Beginner) (Level 2): Simple stitch patterns and/or shaping.

SIZE OF FINISHED PROJECT: One size; approximately 3 inches wide

MATERIALS

- Needloff metallic cord (http://www.uniekinc.com/cord.html)
- Lion Brand Lame in gold or silver for the tassel (http://cache.lionbrand.com//yarns/lame.htm)
- Knifty Knitter 12 peg Flower Loom
- Shatterproof metallic medium ornament balls.
- Crochet hook

NOTES

- Instructions are for one strand of metallic cord worked from left to right in rounds
- · Stitches: flat knit stitch
- Techniques: drawstring cast on (explained in my pattern Easter Eggs available on my blog at http://loomlady.blogspot.com
- Optional: tassel making: http://www.headhuggers.org/misc/tassel.htm

ABBREVIATIONS:	
CO = cast on BO = bind off st = stitch KO = knit off	K = flat knit stitch or regular knit stitchWY = working yarnDS =drawstring

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Working in the round, CO using the DS method on the 12 peg Knifty Knitter Flower Loom.
- 2. Row 1: K all pegs
- 3. Row 2: K peg 1. *(Lift the loop from peg 2 and place it on peg 3. YO by bringing the WY across peg 2, the empty peg, and KO 2-over-1 on peg 3.) Repeat this sequence from * on pegs 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 and 10-11. The even pegs in this row will be the YO pegs and the odd pegs are KO 2-over-1. End round by lifting the loop from peg 12 and placing it on peg 1.
- 4. **Row 3:** K 2-over-1 on peg 1. K 1-over-1 on pegs 2-12.
- 5. Row 4: *(Move the loop from peg 1 to peg 2. YO on peg 1 and K 2-over-1 on peg 2.) Repeat this sequence from * on the following pairs of pegs: 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12. This time the YO will be on the odd pegs and K 2-over-1 will be even pegs on this row.
- 6. Row 5: K all 12 pegs.

- 7. Repeat rows 1-5 until you have the desired length. The ornament pictured in this pattern required 15 rows, not counting the CO or the BO. Always end on an odd row where all the pegs were knitted.
- 8. Cinch the DS CO opening shut after completing about seven or eight rows. Pull the yarn tail to the inside with a crochet hook. Knot and secure the yarn tail.



9. **BO** by cutting the WY leaving a 10 to 12 inch tail. *(Lay the WY across peg 1 and KO. After KO, pull the WY tail through the KO loop. This will also remove the loop from the first peg.) Continue this sequence from * until all the loops have been removed from the loom. Do not close the opening.

Finishing

- Push the ball ornament bottom first into the top of lacey pouch. Cinch the BO edge closed around the ornament cap. Use the crochet hook to secure the BO yarn tail.
- 11. Use a six to eight inch scrap of cord and thread thought the ornament cap to make a hanger cord.
- 12. *Optional:* Make or buy a tassel to hang from the bottom of the ornament.

Tips & suggestions

- Be very careful about counting your rows, because if you loose your place it can impact the way the lace stitch looks. Just remember, all odd rows are knitted on all pegs. The even rows alternate which pegs are the YO pegs. If you forget which row you are on and don't know which peg you are suppose to be doing a YO with, the best thing to do is look at the row below it. If the row below is a knitted column (as opposed to open stitch), then this is the loop you will lift and move to the next peg.
- For added elegance, you may wish to use beads when making your ornament or glue sequins or rhinestones in the open areas of the lace stitch.
- Experiment with different colors of metallic cord and

ornament balls for different looks.

Have fun!!

