## <u>Dewdrop Earrings</u> © Jane McLellan 2015



Skills required: Split rings

Materials Thread, 3 beads for each earring, earring hooks, 2 shuttles

<u>Abbreviations</u> CTM continuous thread method, SR split ring, R ring, ds double stitch cl close.

Wind the two shuttles CTM, with the beads on shuttle 1, about 1 metre thread on shuttle 1 and 60 cm on shuttle 2.

SR 1: Put one bead at the back of the hand before beginning:



Work 6 ds. Turn the thread ready for the second half of the split ring and move the bead so that it's at the start of the second section:



Work 6 ds on the second side:



Close split ring.

SR2 and 3, work the same way, starting with bead on the back of the hand and moving it into position before starting the second half of the split ring.



R4: Add the earring hook to the back of the hand before beginning. Cut the thread from shuttle 2 and hide the thread inside the first half of the ring. Work 4 ds, then made picot with hook added:



Work 4 ds on the second side, cl and then sew in the remaining thread.

This is a versatile pattern, you can alter the size of the thread, size of the beads, the stitch count. With size 10 thread I used a 6/6 stitch count, with size 20 an 8/8 count. Here's another version:

