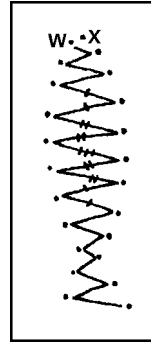
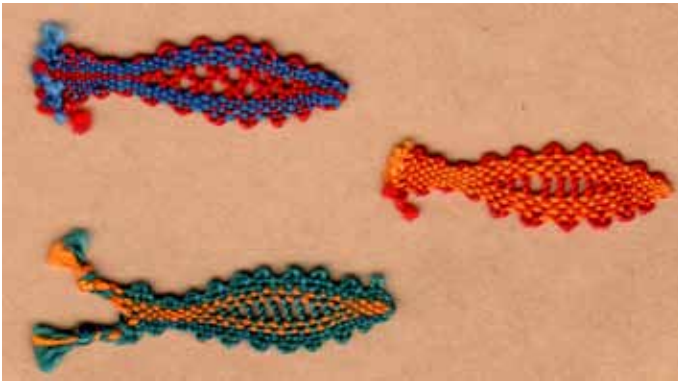


Fish

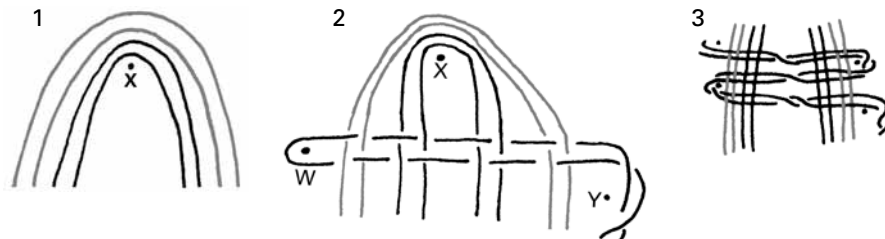


Size check: The frame around the pricking should be 2 cm wide and 4.5 cm long

With the addition of a tail the pricking for the earring turns into a little fish. The ones in the picture were made with DMC Coton Perlé 8 — wind about twice the length of the fish plus enough extra to be able to work easily on each of the four passive pairs and about three times as much on the worker pair.

Hang the 4 passive pairs rainbow-style on a pin at X (1) and hang the worker pair on a pin at W. With the worker pair cloth stitch through each pair in turn, at the end of the row twist the worker pair twice and put in pin Y (2). Continue working cloth stitch, twisting the worker pair twice at each pin.

After the first few rows twist the weaver pair between the second and third passive pairs — this will make a gap down the centre so that the fish is nice and fat (3). The twists are marked as dashes on the pricking: 1 dash = 1 twist, 2 dashes = 2 twists, 3 dashes = 3 twists. Continue working adding twists where indicated. At the end of the fish's tail you can either tie each pair separately with reef knots (upper two fish) or divide the pairs into two groups (see instructions for the friendship bracelet), make two short plaits, and tie them with overhand knots (bottom fish).



If you make the snake without adding eyes and use a mixture of green and blue threads you'll have a wave for the fish to swim under.

