Temari Southern Style - Tiger Lily

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This ball is app 3 inches and is based on a C4 division though the marking threads are done the same as a C8. For those of you unfamiliar with a C4 division, please go to the C4 link at the bottom of the page. You will need a light and a dark orange, yellow, brown cream and 2 shades of green threads plus a gold thread for marking the C8 division. Locate the four centers and triangles and place a colored pin at each. Look at the ball to the left. See how the lily's long petals form a square and also go into the triangle that is divided into 6 parts. Do you also see that the green leaves are really built around the lines that form the triangles that are divided in 6 parts? Great! Put another color pin at each intersection of the 4 green leaves.

Starting with the darker green thread come up at the center of an intersection and go down next intersection of leaves crossing OVER to the other side of the line. Continue around to the other side of the ball again crossing over to the other side of the gold line when you get to the next intersection and come back up to the top again crossing over the line at the intersection. Continue until you have 6 rows of green on each side of gold marking thread. Repeat with 2 rows of lighter green thread. With the darker green thread, come up in the center of the same intersection , but this time repeat pattern going 90 degrees to the first. Finally, repeat again around the obi. Tack each intersection of leaves with 2-3 stitches in gold going around all threads in a bundle type gather.

With yellow thread, about 1/2 inch from the center of the triangle, form a hexagon around the 6 intersecting threads taking a small stitch at each gold marking thread. This serves as an anchor thread to make the elongated diamond shaped petals. Again with yellow thread, come up app 1/8 inch below (and inside the hexagon) the marking thread. Make a small stitch on the yellow thread creating the hexagon, go up to just beyond the green leaf and make a stitch and go back to hexagon line and take a kiku stitch and finally take a stitch on the division line inside the hexagon where you started, Continue for three rounds slightly fanning out those stitches on the hexagon line to create width of the diamond. Switch to light orange thread for 2 more rounds and darker orange thread for the final 4 rounds. Repeat for each lily long leaf. The shorter leaves are done in a similar fashion but there are 2 rounds of yellow, 3 rounds of light orange and 1 round of dark orange. Make stamens with cream and ends with brown french knots. Add 3 more french knots in cream in the center of flower.

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