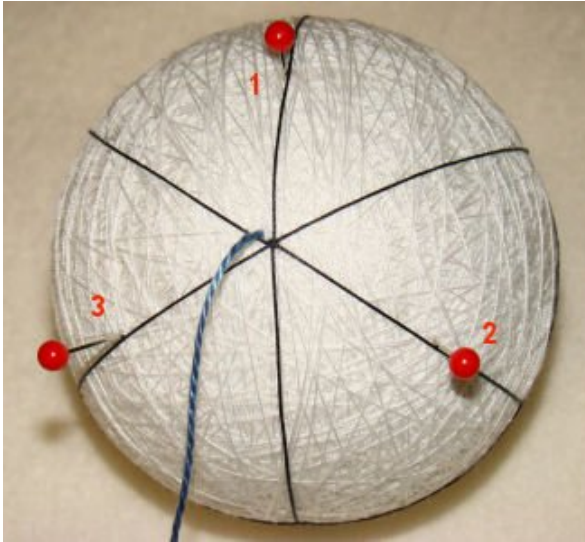
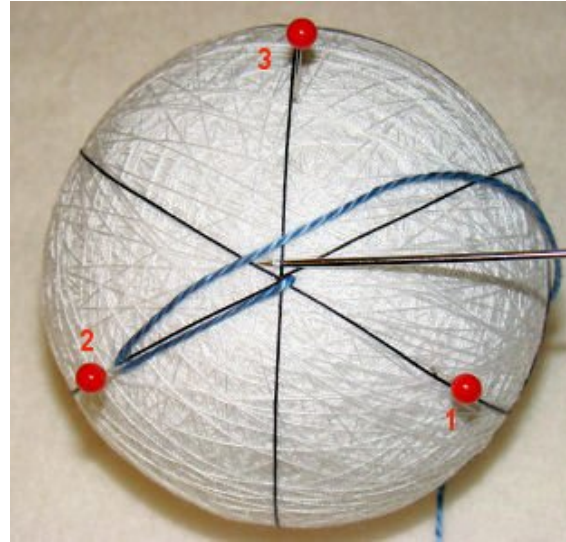


TemariKai ToolKit - Nejiri Mitsubane Kagari (Stitch) / Closest English Equivalent: Interlocked Tri/Three Leaves
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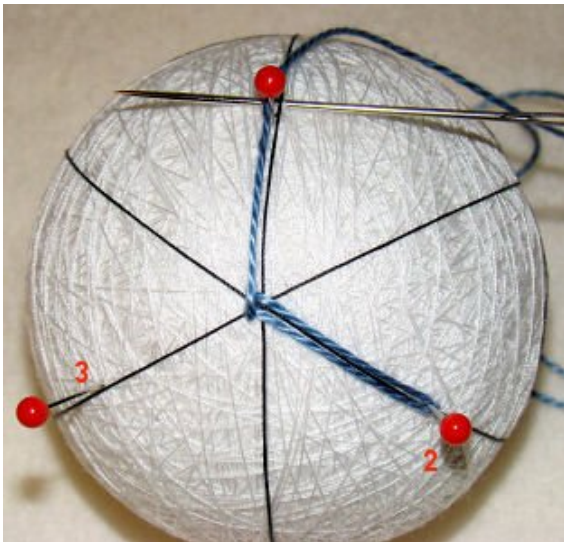
Mitsubane translates literally to a combination of 2 words: "Three", and "leaf". **Nejiri** means "twist" - the sides of the shape are "twisted" together to interlock with each other. Therefore this stitch would translate as Twisted Three Leaves. This is the basic stitching sequence. The number of rounds of the leaves (points) and the distance from the pole (length of the points) will be determined by the actual design/pattern you desire or are following. The stitch is worked on a six point center.



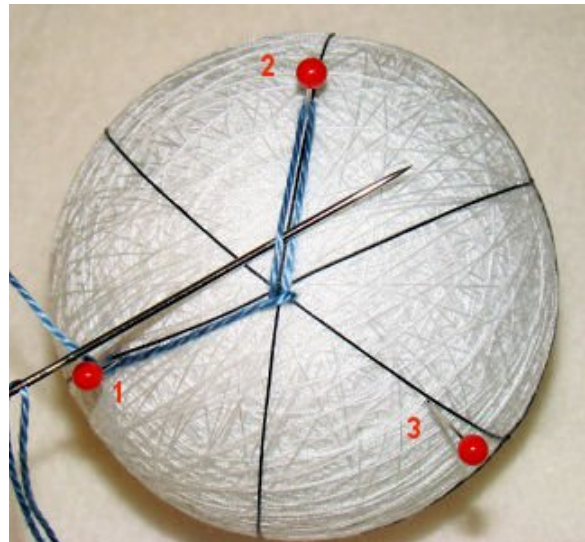
Place 3 pins as shown - Pins 1, 2 & 3. The pins set the starting distance for the length of the leaves. Enter a thread to the left of the line of Pin 1, close to the center.



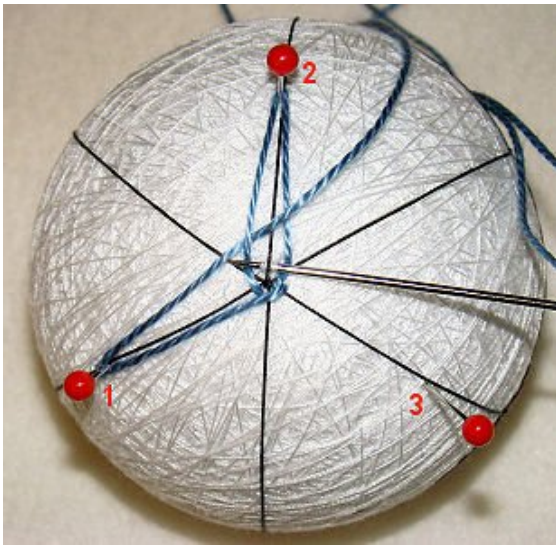
Turn the mari counterclockwise so Pin 2 is facing up and take a stitch at Pin 2. Turn the mari counterclockwise so that Pin 3 is facing up and take a stitch on the line of Pin 3, close to the center.



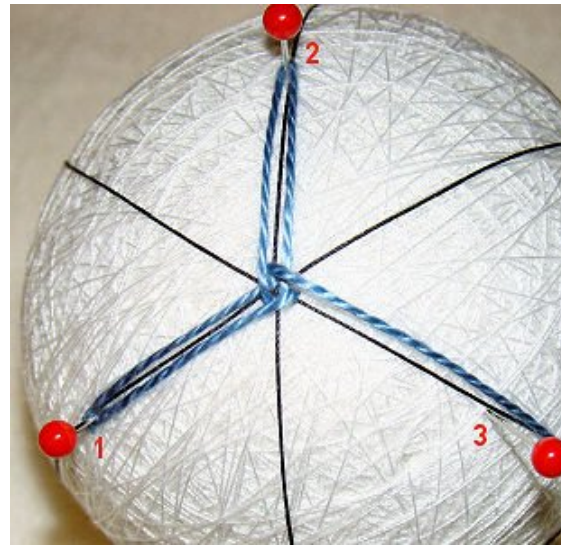
Turn the mari counterclockwise so that Pin 1 is facing up and take a stitch at Pin 1.



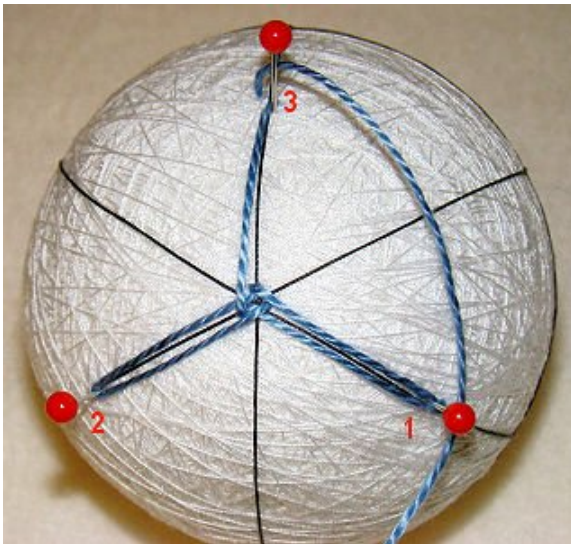
Turn the mari counterclockwise so that Pin 2 is facing up. Pass the needle under the first/left thread from the earlier stitch at Pin 2



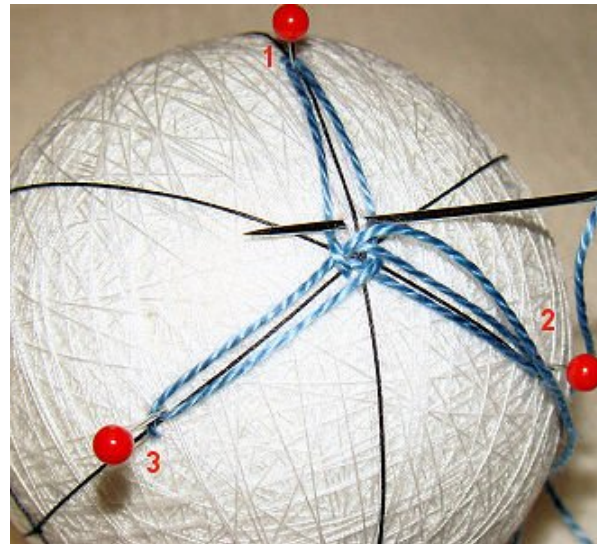
Take a stitch on the line of Pin 2 close to the center



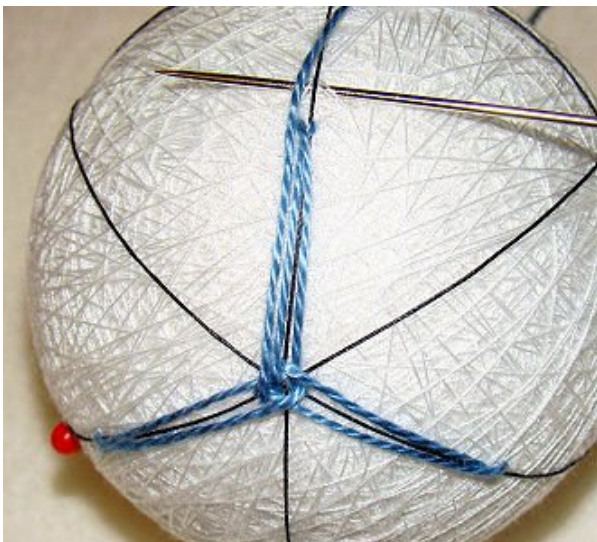
Tighten the stitch and carry the thread to Pin 3



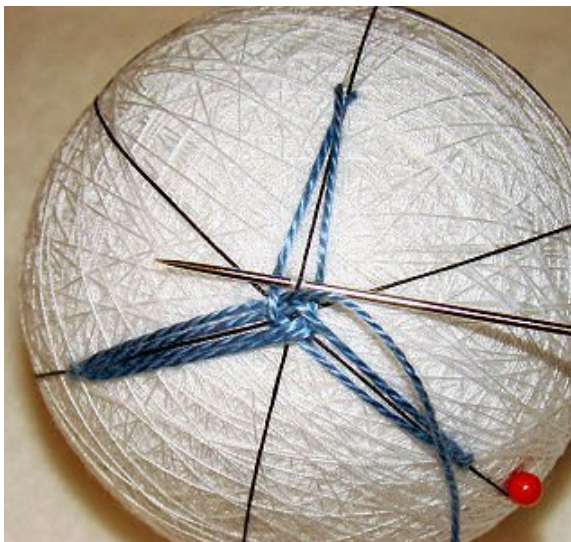
turn the mari so Pin 3 is facing up and take a stitch



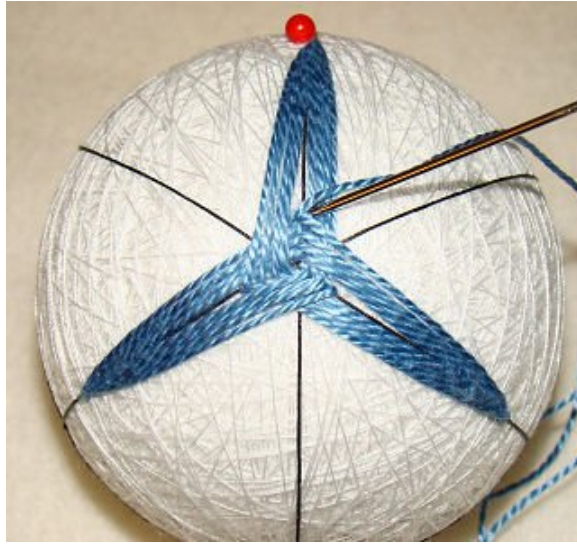
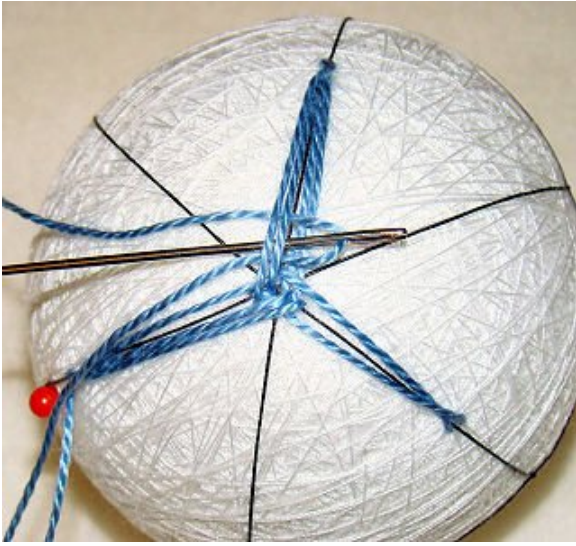
Turn the mari so Pin 1 is facing up; pass the thread under the left hand thread of the leaf at Pin 1 and take a stitch close to the center



Turn the mari counterclockwise so the next point is facing up and take a stitch - remember to stretch the point when placing the stitch.



Turn the mari counterclockwise so the next point is facing up, pass the thread under the left thread of the previous row, and take a stitch close to the center



Continue in this stitching sequence, building the element as much as desired.

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