

### Temari Pattern 99JZ04

Intermediate Pattern contributed by Joan Zakas / Intermediate to advanced  
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### Kiku and Flax

This pattern is offered by Joan Zakas..... it was seen on the web and the TalkTemari list began discussion on how to work it. Joan sat down and figured out this version and wrote up the notes to share with us. This pattern is worked on a C8. You will need: #5 pearl cotton: Royal Blue, Sky Blue, Lt. Pink, Md. Pink, Rose; Twilley's Goldfingering Metallic: Navy Blue (for marking), Gold (to outline the hexagons), Silver (to accent the stars).

### MARKING EQUAL SIDED HEXAGONS

Look at the marked ball and find the triangles divided into 6 sections. (NB: there are eight such triangles on a C8). Measure the short line (the line that goes from the middle point of the triangle to the middle of the long side). From the center of the triangle measure the corner lines and put a pin so that the corner lines are the same length. Ex: if your short line is 3cm., measure 3cm. from the center of the triangle and place a pin on a corner line. Follow the short lines to the place where 2 lines cross (the midpoint of the diamond shape) and place 2 keeper pins. Do this for all 8 triangles. The two photos below show two views of the ball with the pins placed.



### STICHING THE STARS

Starting at a pin on a corner line, stitch around the hexagon laying your thread through the keeper pins. See photo pattern 1. I did 6 rows of royal blue, 3 rows of sky blue, and finished the outline by stitching into the center of the square with royal blue. Repeat until all hexagons are marked. See photos below for the progress of the temari.



### METALLIC ACCENTS

Wrap 3 lines of silver around the temari through the keeper pins and over the center of the stars. Now choose another star and wrap 3 lines of silver around the ball. Take a stitch in the center of the star whenever it crosses the previous silver lines. Repeat until all stars are accented.

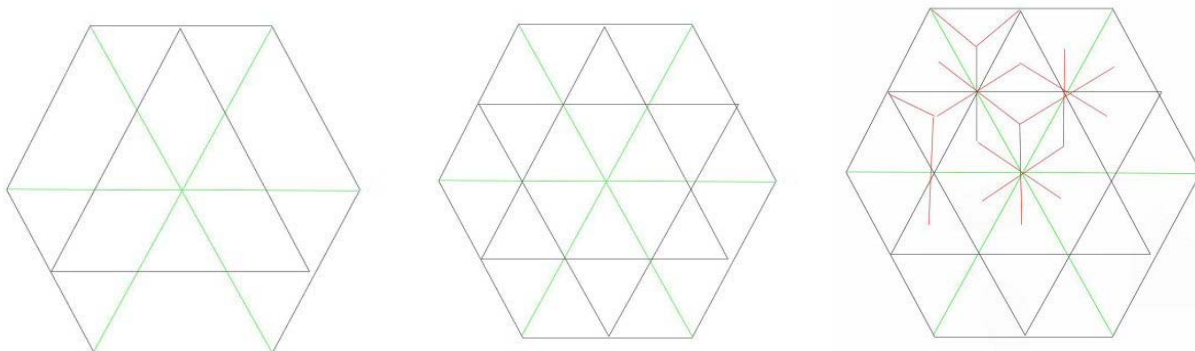
With double thread of gold outline the hexagons. Start at a corner and get your stitch as close to the edge of the star as possible. When you come to keeper pins take a stitch around all the threads and pull them as tight as possible. Make sure your thread lays close along the side of the star when you move onto the next corner. See photo at right.



### Stitching the Hexagons:

Add extra lines to 1 hexagon by dividing the 6 sections inside the hexagon in half. Stitch the kiku pattern of your choice. (I did 4 different kiku on my temari using the pinks and rose.)

On a hexagon that touches the kiku hexagon stitch a flax pattern. First stitch a triangle in the hexagon putting the points in the center between the marking lines (see diagram below, left). Then stitch a second triangle placing the corners on the other 3 sides (diagram below, center). This will give you a hexagon full of small triangles that make up small hexagons. Bring your thread up in the center of a small triangle and down in the center of a small triangle across from it. You will be stitching 6 pointed stars over all the small hexagons and each triangle will have three lines meeting in its center. Fill in each small triangle with lines. (diagram below, right).



If you are stitching different patterns in your hexagons make sure like patterns do not touch each other. Stitch a pattern in each of the 8 hexagons. Your temari is done.

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