





## LACY BUTTERFLY

This design uses a regular size goose egg. To mark the egg use an egg marker and divide the egg into fourths. Measure from center top to center bottom and mark a girth line around the center of the egg. Remove the egg from the egg marker and trace the outline of the butterfly onto the top of the egg. I like the butterfly tilted slightly with the head coming towards you. Some people like it to look like it is flying away from you. Use your own judgement as to which you prefer. Draw a curved line for the opening as in Fig. 1. Pencil in the cutout design in the butterfly. Mark another butterfly from another eggshell to be cutout and placed on the stand.

Cut where the hinge will go and epoxy the hinge to the center back of egg. Cut where the hinge will go on the butterfly and epoxy a butterfly hinge to the butterfly. To make a butterfly hinge you simply remove the post from a hinge and replace it with a rod of the same size so that you have a piece of rod extending past both ends of the hinge. Fig. 2.

After all of the hinging is set cut the fancy cutting in the butterfly first. Next cut the butterfly wings free. Last cut open the egg at the curved line. Wash away all the pencil lines from the outside and clean any loose membrane from the inside.

Paint the butterfly white and also the bottom of the egg white. Paint the top portion light blue. When the paint is dry spray with a matte sealer.

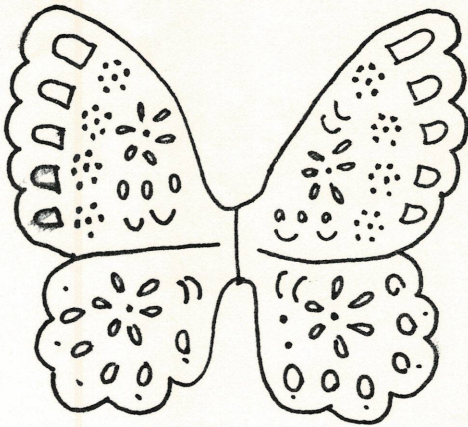
Glue a row of fine gold cord to the outer edge of the butterfly and also around the edge where the butterfly was cut out. Glue a row of gold cord, a row of rhinestone chain and another row of gold cord around the cut edge of both the top portion and bottom portion of egg. Next looking at Fig. 3 mark a line above the last row of gold cord  $\frac{1}{4}$ " across the top and bottom portion and cut out this space. Glue findings #9150 across these cutout places. Glue pearl flakes on the inside of the top lid. In the bottom portion on the inside I put a scene with some little bread dough figures. You could also line it and use it as a jewelry box.

Decorate the top outside portion around the butterfly with some scroll work out of gold cord. Use porcelain flowers, bread dough flowers or silk flowers to make a nice design on top. Glue a few flatback rhinestones to the edge of the butterfly wings. Don't use too many as you don't want to detract from the pretty lacy cutting.

Glue to egg stand and glue stand to a corian base. Decorate your butterfly for the base the same as the one on top of the egg. Glue some antenaes to the butterfly.

Additional butterfly patterns are given on the pattern sheet as you may want to use a jeweled butterfly or paint one instead of the fancy cutting.





Pattern

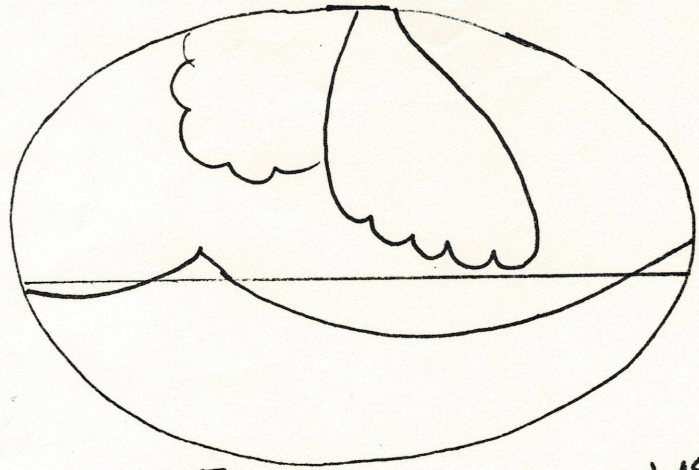


Fig 1

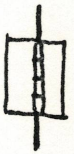


Fig 2

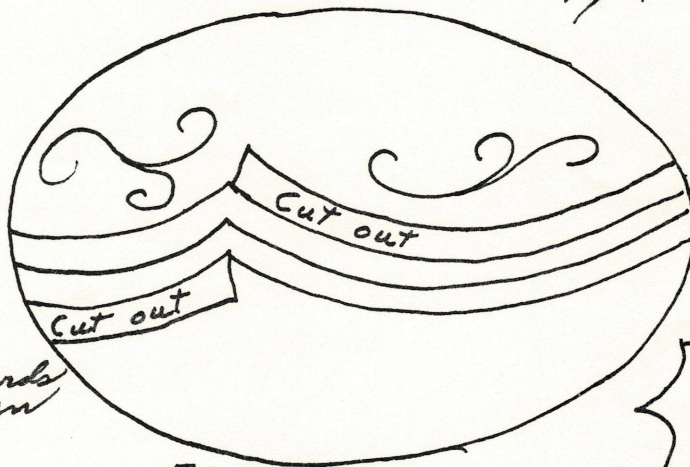
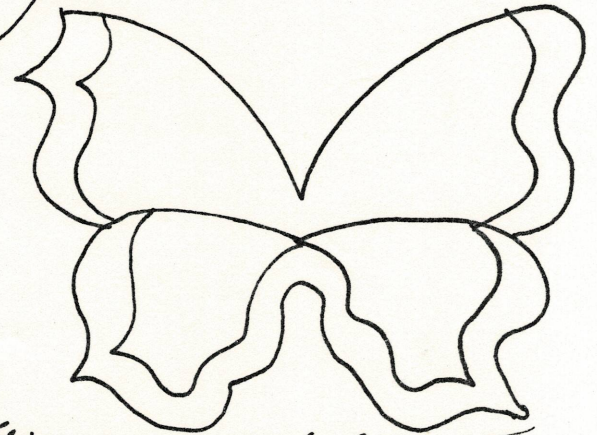


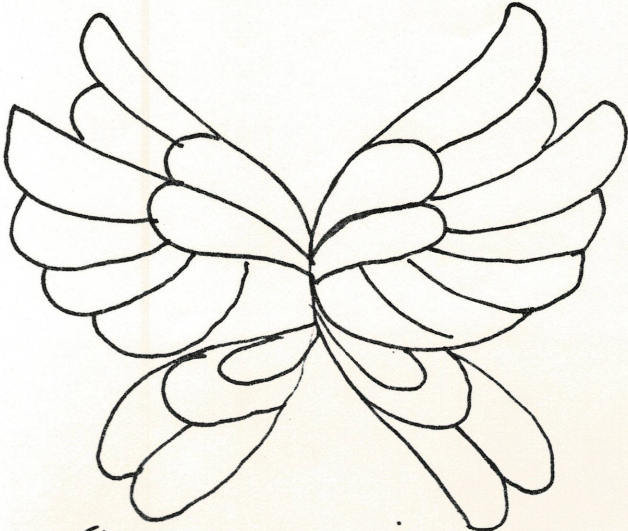
Fig 3

Extend towards back about  
an inch  
← Rhinestone chain  
& cord

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back about an  
inch



This one would be pretty  
jewelled on edges and  
painted inside



This butterfly is  
pretty jewelled

Parts List

- 1 goose egg
- 1 piece of eggshell for butterfly on base
- 4 yds gold cord
- 3 hinges & brass rod
- 18" rhinestone chain
- 8 findings # 9150
- 1 finding each 9066R & 9066L for antenaes
- 1 egg stand
- 1 corian base
- optional: flowers for top
- figures for inside or material to line