

Double Duo beads

Simple cylinder-shaped beaded beads with Superduos and Miniduos



Material:

Matubo Miniduo Matubo Superduo

Difficulty: beginner / intermediate

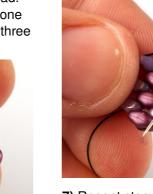
Technique: odd count peyote stitch

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1) Use a bead stopper to secure the end of the thread. String one Superduo, one Miniduo, one Superduo, one Miniduo ... total seven beads (four Superduos and three Miniduos).



2) Pass back through the unused hole of the last Superduo.



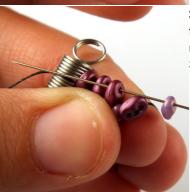
6) Add one Superduo and pass through the unused hole of the nearest Miniduo.







Here comes the tricky part ... we still need to add the last Superduo to this row, but we have nowhere to attach it ... As you might know, "step-up" in odd count peyote stitch is always a little bit tricky, especially when using two-hole beads. So here is one way to do it ...



3) Add one Miniduo and then pass through the unused hole of the next Superduo.



8) Add one Superduo. Then pass back through the nearest hole of the last Superduo from the previous row. Pull snug.



4) Repeat step 3 two more times.

5) Now remove the bead stopper and tie both ends of the thread together.



9) Then pass through the "lower" hole of the new Superduo.

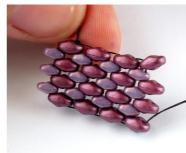


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10) Then pass back through the upper hole of the same Superduo.

You will need to do this at the end of each Superduo row.



14) Add two more rows (by repeating steps 11 - 13).

Now if you look carefully, you can see that Miniduos on the left side of the strip fit directly between Superduos on the right side. We'll use them to connect both sides of the strip together.

(If you want to make a larger bead - like the one in the

middle of the pink necklace on the front page - just repeat

steps 11 - 13 one more time. You can even try to make a bracelet this way - just repeat steps 11 - 13 until you reach the desired length)

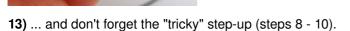
11) Now add one Miniduo and pass through the unused hole of the next Superduo. Repeat until you reach the end of the row (like in steps 3 and 4).







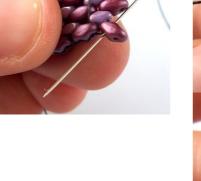
12) Now add one Superduo and pass through the unused hole of the last Miniduo. Repeat until you reach the end of the row (like in steps 6 and 7) ...

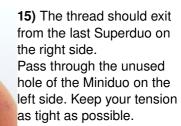


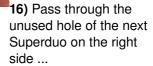


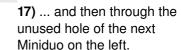


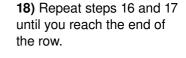












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19) Now you can tie a few half-hitch knots and cut off all the remaining thread.

Or use a beading wire or a cord to make a simple necklace.



The bead on the left was made exactly as shown in this tutorial. The bead on the right is a little bit larger - I simply made two more rows before I joined the ends together. (see step 14 for more details).



Let's make another bead and make a pair of earrings.



