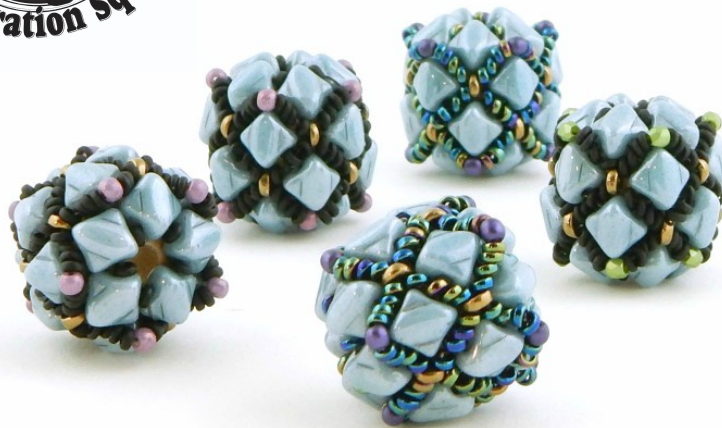


Argyle Beaded Bead

a tutorial
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Materials List: *(quantities listed are for 1 beaded bead)*

Silky Beads - 5mm 2-hole diamond shape (20 beads)

Miyuki Spacers - 2.2mm x 1mm (200 beads)

Miyuki Spacers - 3mm x 1.3mm (10 beads)

True 2mm Fire Polish or Druks (or any other 2mm round bead) (10 beads)

Fireline (8 or 10 lb test)

Size 10 beading needle

12mm round unfinished wood bead

(optional) Small glue dots and tweezers to apply glue dots to base bead

Key:

#1 Spacer = 2.2mm x 1mm Miyuki Spacer

#2 Spacer = 3mm x 1.3mm Miyuki Spacer

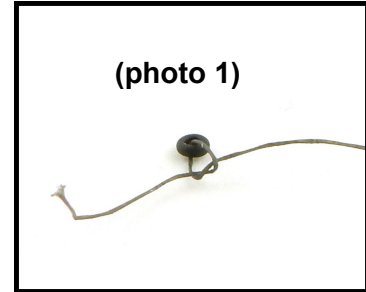
Silky = 5mm diamond shaped Silky Bead

2mm round = True 2mm Fire Polish or Druk

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Row 1

Thread needle with 1 yd of Fireline thread. Tie one #1 Spacer on at the end of thread using a simple overhand knot. Leave a half inch tail. **(photo 1)**



Then string on:

*1 Silky Bead (pick up the Silkys consistently with the grooved side up)

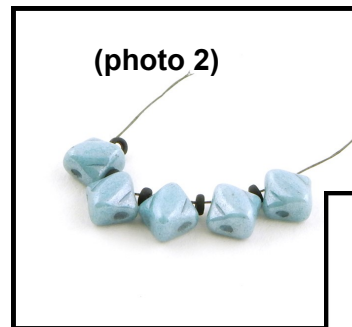
1 #1 Spacer *

Repeat from from * to * 3 more times

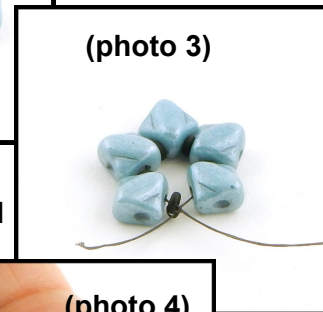
Then string on 1 more Silky

Total = 10 beads

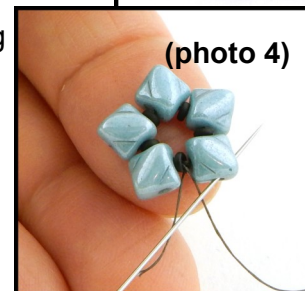
(photo 2)



Lay the strung beads flat and stitch back through the tied on bead. Pull the circle of beads closed. **(photo 3)** Holding the circle on a fingertip, pass the thread all the way around the circle, stitching again through the top holes of the Silkys. Exit the thread through the tied on bead (a #1 Spacer).



Tug the thread tight. Without adding a bead, stitch through the other (bottom) hole of the next Silky. **(photo 4)**



Work with circle of beads on a fingertip

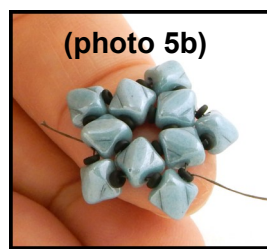
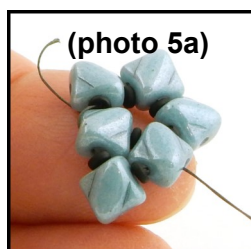
Row 2

Pick up:

*1 #1 Spacer

1 Silky

1 #1 Spacer



Stitch through the bottom hole of the next Silky, pulling the thread tight. * **(photo 5a)**

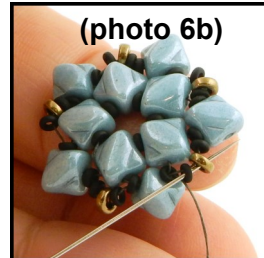
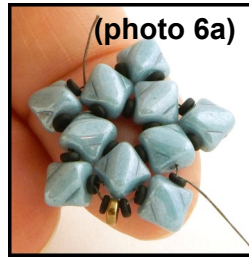
Repeat from * to * 4 more times. **Make sure thread tail remains tucked underneath beadwork.**

Without adding a bead, stitch through the next adjacent #1 Spacer, top hole of next Silky, and one more #1 Spacer. **(photo 5b)**

Row 3

Pick up:

- 1 #1 Spacer
- 1 #2 Spacer
- 1 #1 Spacer



Stitch through the next #1 Spacer, top hole of the next Silky, and one more #1 Spacer. **(photo 6a) The sets of 3 Spacer beads you stitch will look a little wonky and have some thread showing.** Repeat 4 more times. Then, without adding a bead, stitch through until thread is exiting the next #2 Spacer. **(photo 6b)**

Row 4

Pick up:

- *3 #1 Spacers

Stitch through the bottom hole of the next Silky **(photo 7a)**

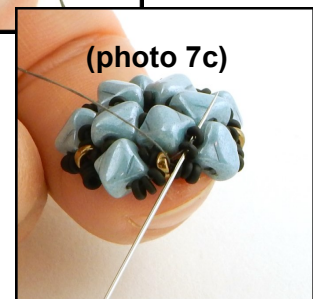
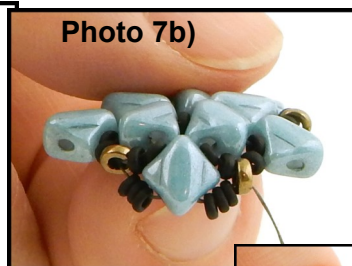
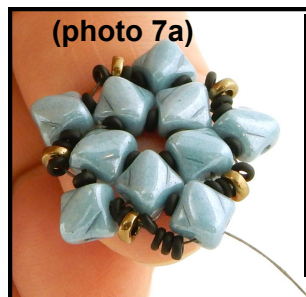
Pick up:

- 3 #1 Spacers

Stitch through the next #2 Spacer * **(photo 7b)**

Beadwork will begin to drape over your fingertip

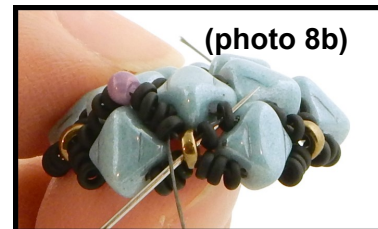
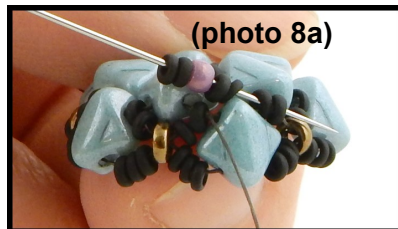
Repeat from * to * 4 more times pulling thread tight as you go. Then, without adding a bead, stitch **up** through the next adjacent **set of two #1 Spacers.** **(photo 7c)**



Row 5

Pick up:

- *2 #1 Spacers
- 1 2mm bead
- 2 #1 Spacers

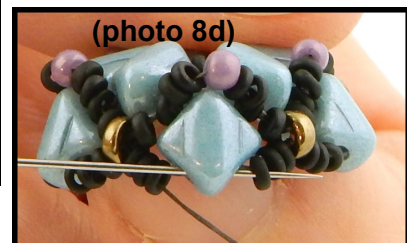
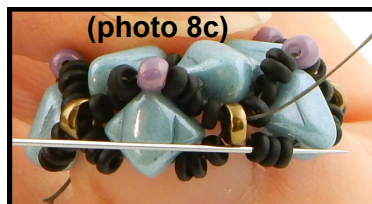


Stitch **down** through the set of two #1 Spacers on the other side of the Silky **(photo 8a)**, one #2 Spacer and **up** through one more set of two #1 Spacers. ***(photo 8b)**

Tug thread tight after stitching each set of beads nudging them snugly around the tip of each Silky.

Repeat from * to * 4 more times.

On the last repeat, after stitching through the #2 Spacer, stitch **down** through the adjacent set of **three #1 Spacers** **(photo 8c)**, the bottom hole of the Silky and one more #1 Spacer **(photo 8d)**



Row 6

Pick up:

*1 Silky

Stitch through the next upmost #1 Spacer, bottom hole of the next Silky and one more #1 Spacer *(photo 9a)

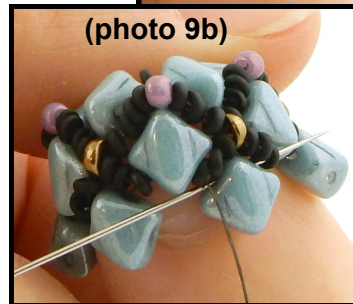
Nudge the Silky into place

Repeat from * to * 4 more times

Without adding a bead, stitch through the top hole of the next Silky and the upmost #1 Spacer. (photo 9b)



(photo 9a)



(photo 9b)

Row 7

Pick up

*1 #1 Spacer

1 #2 Spacer

1 #1 Spacer

Stitch through the next #1 Spacer on the other side of the Silky. (photo 10a)

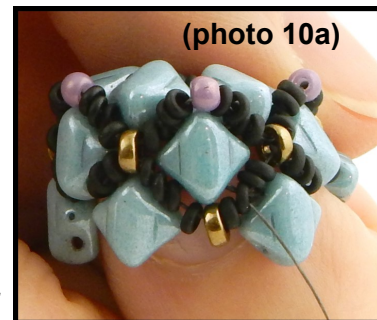
Nudge the beads into place at the bottom tip of the Silkys if necessary

Without adding a bead, stitch through the top hole of the next Silky and one more upmost #1

Spacer *(photo 10b)

Repeat * to * 4 more times from

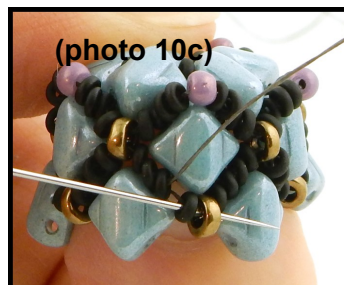
Then, without adding a bead, stitch through the next adjacent #1 and #2 Spacers (photo 10c)



(photo 10a)

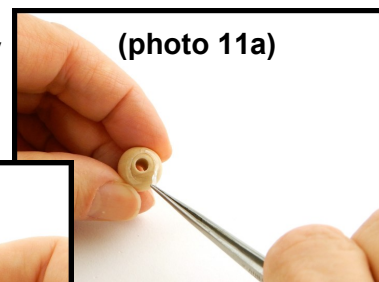


(photo 10b)

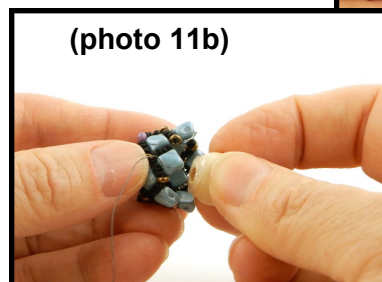


(photo 10c)

You will now place the beadwork on the base bead. You may choose to use glue dots to hold the beadwork in place. If you do, stretch a glue dot or two around one of the hole ends of the base bead. Place the glue a little bit away from the hole edge. Slide the base bead into the center of the beadwork leading with the glue end. (photos 11a and 11b)



(photo 11a)



(photo 11b)

Press beadwork firmly into place on the base bead.

Row 8

Pick up:

*2 #1 Spacers

Stitch through the bottom hole of the next Silky **(photo 12a)**

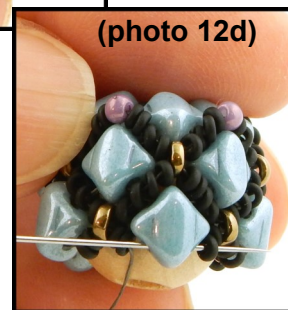
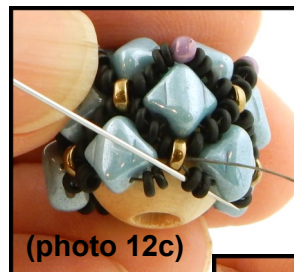
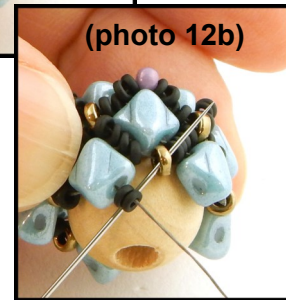
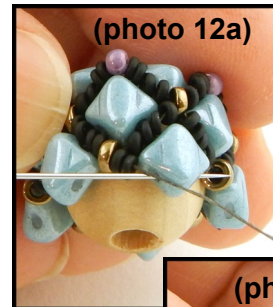
Pick up:

2 #1 Spacers

Stitch through the next #2 Spacer ***(photo 12b)**

Repeat from *** to *** 4 more times

Without adding a bead, stitch through the next set of two adjacent #1 Spacers **(photo 12c)**, bottom hole of the next Silky and one more #1 Spacer **(photo 12d)**



Make sure bead work is centered with regard to the base bead holes.

Row 9

Pick up:

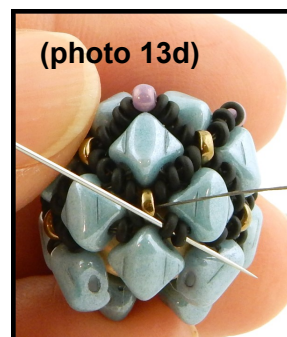
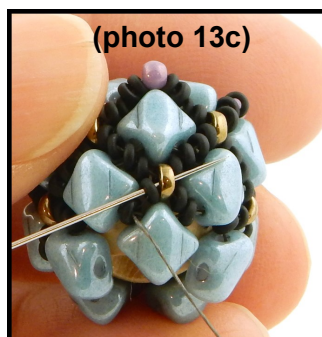
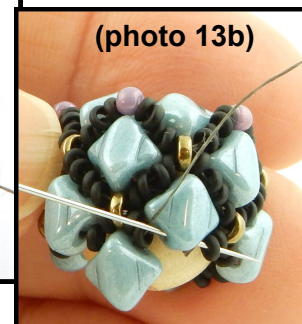
*1 Silky

Stitch through the next upmost #1 Spacer **(photo 13a)**, bottom hole of the next Silky and one more #1 Spacer ***(photo 13b)**

Tug thread tight

Repeat from *** to *** 4 more times

Without adding a bead, stitch through the next adjacent #1 and #2 Spacers **(photo 13c)** and through the next adjacent set of two #1 Spacers **(photo 13d)**



Row 10

Pick up:

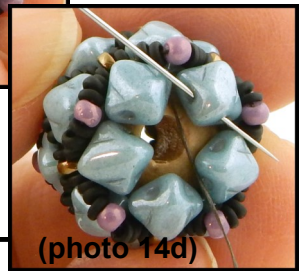
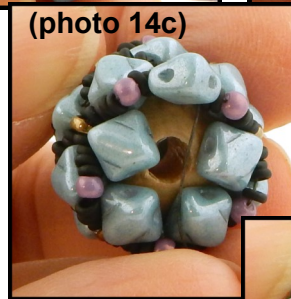
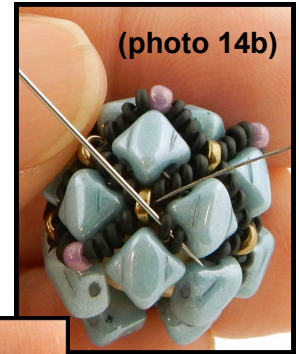
- *2 #1 Spacers
- 1 2mm bead
- 2 #1 Spacers

Stitch through the next set of two #1 Spacers, #2 Spacer (**photo 14a**) and next adjacent set of two #1 Spacers.* (**photo 14b**)

Tug thread tight after stitching each set of beads nudging them snugly around the tip of each Silky.

Repeat from * to * 4 more times. Pull thread underneath the Silky toward the base bead. (**photo 14c**)

Then, without adding a bead, stitch through bottom hole of the next Silky. (**photo 14d**)



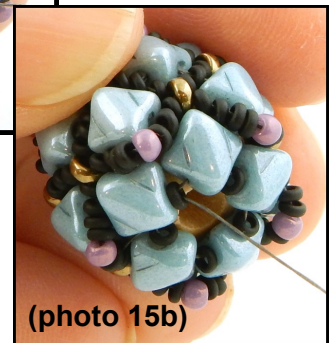
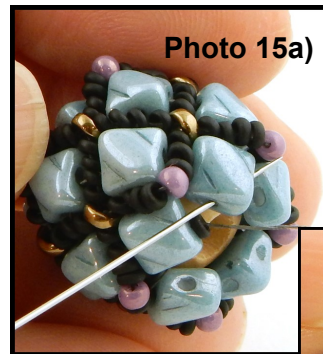
Row 11

Pick up:

- 1 #1 Spacer

Stitch through the bottom hole of the next Silky (**photo 15a**)

Repeat 4 more times pulling the thread tight (**photo 15b**)



Stitch two or more rounds of thread through Row 11. When satisfied that the thread is secure, cut off flush.