

LOVELY LAKOS PENDANT



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A banner use of Cymbal™ elements finishes off this square stitched pendant. Add movement with chain dangles. You can wear it on your choice chain, cord or ribbon.

Skill level: Beginner and up

Techniques to know: Square stitch, ending/adding thread, opening/closing jump rings **Finished size:** Pendant 2 5/8", excluding the dangles

MATERIALS for the Pendant

4 size 15° seed beads to match Cymbal elements 108 size 8° seed beads (color A) 28 size 8° seed beads (color B) 11 size 8° seed beads (color C) 2 LAKOS III Cymbal[™] 8° endings 4 size 5mm jump rings 16" of large loop chain
10" of small loop chain
Clasp of choice
6lb. Fireline™
Size 11 beading needle
Pliers to work jump rings
Wire cutters to cut chain

TIPS:

Square stitch uses a lot of thread. Use the technique you are most comfortable with to end and add thread.

When sewing back through beads, be careful not to skip over any beads.

FIGURE 1

Step 1. Add a stop bead to 2 yards of Fireline, leaving a six-inch tail.

Step 2. Sew through the first leg of the LAKOS III. String three 8As and sew through the second leg of the LAKOS. String three 8As and sew through the third leg of the LAKOS.

FIGURE 2

Step 3. String one 15° and sew back through all the beads and all the legs of the LAKOS. String one 15° and sew back through the 8As and the first leg of the LAKOS.

SQUARE STITCH BASE

FIGURE 3

Step 4. String one 8A and square stitch to the leg of the LAKOS. Continue adding 8As across the row. The row will contain nine 8As.

FIGURE 4

Step 5. Sew back through the previous row and the row of beads just added.

FIGURE 5

Step 6. Square stitch <u>fourteen</u> rows as charted below. <u>Remember</u> to sew back through each previous row and current row.

NOTE: Sometimes the thread will be exiting from the right of the beadwork and sometimes it will be exiting from the left of the beadwork.

Row 1. Three 8As, three 8Bs, three 8As.

Rows 2 - 12. Three 8As, one 8B, one 8C, one 8B, three 8As.

Row 13. Three 8As, three 8Bs, three 8As.

Row 14. Nine 8As.

ATTACH SECOND LAKOS

FIGURE 6

Step 7. Square stitch previous row 8A to the first outer leg of the LAKOS. Square stitch three new 8As to the next three previous row 8As. Square stitch previous row 8A to the middle leg of the LAKOS. Square stitch three new 8As to the next three previous row 8As. Square stitch previous row 8A to the second outer leg of the LAKOS.

FIGURE 7

Step 8. Sew back through the previous row and the row of beads just added.

FIGURE 8.

Step 9. String one 15 and sew back through the LAKOS and the last row. String one 15 and sew back through the row once more.

Step 10. Secure the working thread within the beadwork and trim excess. If you have not done so, remove the stop bead from the tail, thread on a needle, secure withing the beadwork and trim excess.

Step 11. Using pliers, open a jump ring, insert it into the loop of the top LAKOS and the center of the large chain. Close the jump ring.

Step 12. Using pliers, open a jump ring, insert it into one end of the chain and one half of the clasp. Close the jump ring. Repeat for the other half of the clasp.

Step 13. Using wire cutters, cut five one-inch segments of the small loop chain.

Step 14. Using pliers, open a jump ring and insert the five pieces of chain. Insert jump ring into the loop of the bottom LAKOS. Close the jump ring.

You have completed your Lovely Lakos Pendant. Enjoy!



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