

BREA BEAD WORKS

BEADED LANTERN BEAD

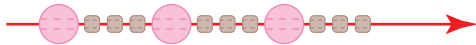
tubular netting

MATERIALS

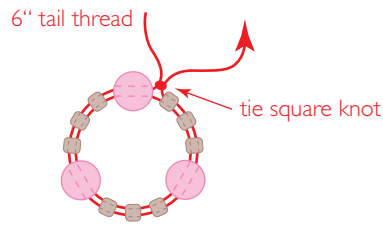
- ▷ 4mm beads; bicone or round [18 qty]
- ▷ 11° seed beads [1 color]
- ▷ 15° seed beads [1 color]
- ▷ Fireline thread; 6 lb [2 feet per bead]

TOOLS

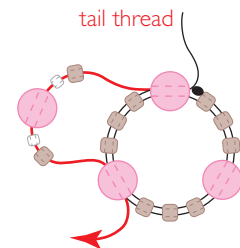
- ▷ Beading needles [size 12]
- ▷ Scissors



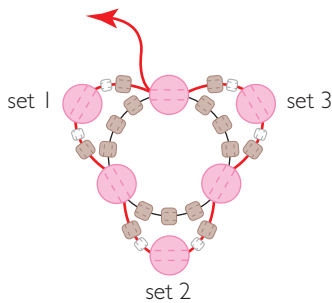
1. Thread a size 12 beading needle with 2 feet of 6 lb Fireline thread. String on the following sequence of beads: (1) 4mm bead, (3) 11° seed beads (SBs), (1) 4mm bead, (3) 11° SBs, (1) 4mm bead, and (3) 11° SBs.



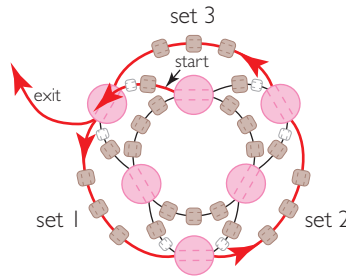
2. Loop thread back through all beads, starting with the first bead strung on. This will form a sturdy loop of beads. With the beads snug, tie a square knot. Keep a 6" tail thread.



3. Pass thread through the adjacent 4mm bead and string on the following sequence of beads: (1) 11° SB, (1) 15° SB, (1) 4mm bead, (1) 15° SB, and (1) 11° SB. Pass thread through next 4mm bead on base.



4. Continue step 3 sequence two more times until you have passed through each 4mm bead on the base.



5. Pass thread through adjacent 11° SB, 15° SB, and 4mm bead. String on (3) 11° SBs and pass through adjacent 4mm bead on second row. Make sure to cinch beads tight. Continue adding (3) 11° SBs and passing through 4mm beads on the second row until you have passed through each 4mm bead on the second row.

Repeat steps 3-5 until you have finished 6 rows. If you would like a longer beaded lantern bead you may continue past row 6, but remember to always end on the sequence where you add (3) 11° SBs between the 4mm beads.

To end thread, tie half-hitched knots in at least 3 locations as you pass thread back through your piece. Do the same for your tail thread.

Congratulations!

REMEMBER TO PULL THREADS SNUG TO KEEP YOUR BEAD FROM COLLAPSING. YOU MAY ALSO CHOOSE TO PASS THREAD THROUGH A SECOND TIME TO ADD MORE BODY AND FIRM UP YOUR BEADED BEAD.