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Materials: Cylinder beads in 2 colours (A and B); size 15/0 seed beads (C); QUAD beads (Q) preferably or you can use O-beads instead; pair of ear wires and 2 size 3mm or 4mm crystals; Fireline or thread of your choice, beading needles # 10 and #12, beading mat, scissors and magnifiers if you need them.

Techniques: Stringing and peyote stitch in the round

☐ cylinder = A   ☐ cylinder = B   ○ 15/0 = C   ■ Quad = Q   ⬡ 3mm crystal = F

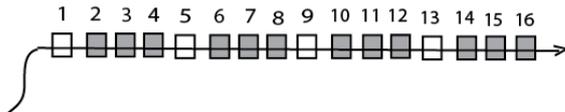1- Pick up 16 cylinder beads in the sequence shown in Figure 1

Fig 1

2- Create a circle and go through beads 1 and 2 .See (Fig 2). Pick up 1 A go through the next A pick up 2 B. Continue around the circle following the diagram in Fig 3. Step up to complete this round.
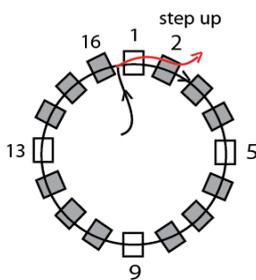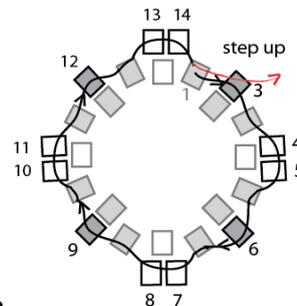

Fig 2   Fig 3

3- Pick up 1 B (#15)go through next A, pick up 1 A(#16) go through the next A, pick up 1 B go through B, continue as shown in Figure 4. Step up at the end of this round. Continue in peyote stitch but in the corners you string 15/0 and Quad beads. Follow diagram. Step up at the end of the round. See Fig 5.
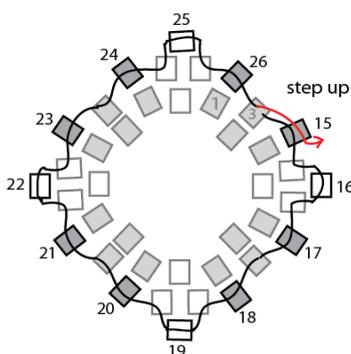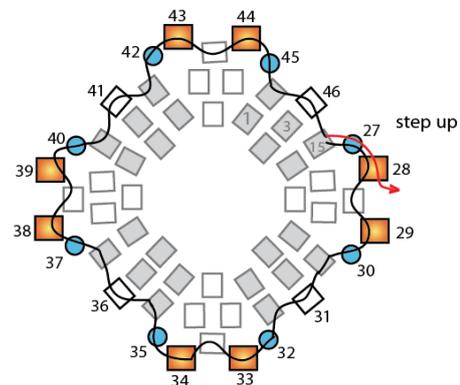

Fig4   Fig 5

4- *String 1 (C),1Q,1(C) go through the next Q and (C), pick up 1A, go through A, pick up 1A go through next (C) and Q*. Repeat from * to *round the circle. Step up. See Fig 6. In the next round you will only add 4 A's in total. Coming out of the A (#50), pick up 1A go through the next A and the next few beads as shown in Fig 7.
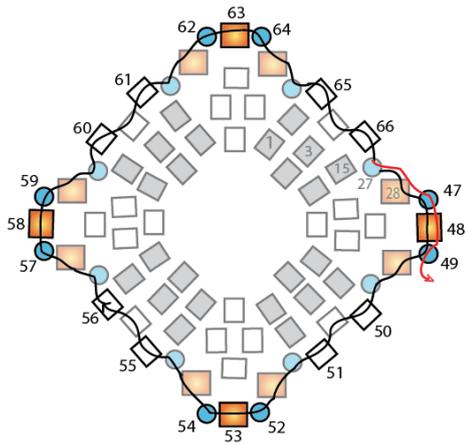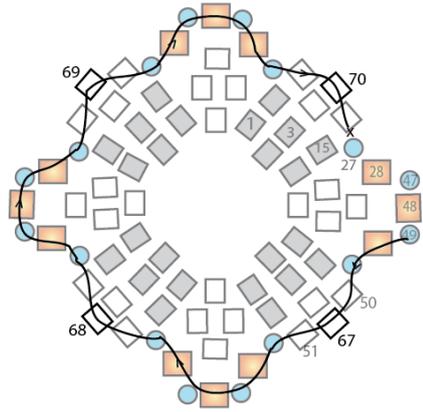
Fig 6

Fig 7

5-   Using the end thread attach a FP crystal.Fig 8. The diagram and photo shows how to add
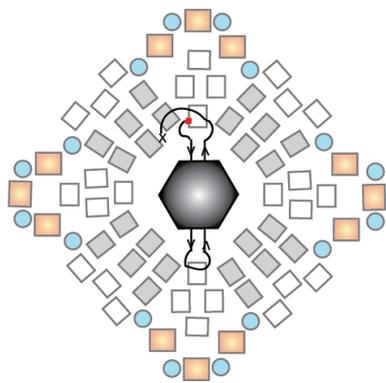   the beads and earwire. Fig 9

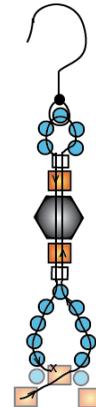

Fig 8

Fig 9

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