



NBW Tea-light Holder

Karen Gibson-Brown

Requirements List

- Peyote/Brick Stitch NBW bead design chart from the Goodies page
- Free Peyote or Brick stitch instructions from the Goodies page
- Approx. 2g x size 11 cylinder beads (Delicas) in silver lined white
- Approx. 1g x size 11 cylinder beads (Delicas) in red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple
- 6 x 'Little People' beads (available from BeadbyBead for £2.00 per string of 18 beads Email: patty.beads@googlemail.com or call 07971 755 577)
 - 6 x size 11 seed beads one in each colour to match the 'Little People' beads
 - 36 x size 11 seed beads to colour match the picot edging
 - Thread of choice
 - Size 10 & 12 beading needles
 - Small sharp scissors or snips
 - Small recycled jam jar approx. 3.5cms high x 8.5cms in diameter
 - Battery operated tea-light (available from most supermarkets and garden centres)

Step 1. Using size 11 Delica's and following the instructions for Peyote or Brick stich (available to download form the NBW website), use the NBW charted design along the edge of the page to stitch three repeats of the 6 rainbow colours or until you have a strip of beading that 'almost' meets around the middle of the jar. It helps if there is a gap of about 3 to 4mm's, as the finished band needs to be a little on the tight side once zipped together so that it doesn't slide down the jar.

Top Tip: When adding in new threads, avoid doing so near the edge as you will be using the edge beads later to add a picot edging.

Step 2. Zip/stitch the ends of the band together to form a tight fit around the jar. Secure and trim the thread ends. Add a decorative picot edging along each edge by exiting an edge bead, *pick up three beads and thread down through the next edge bead. Thread up through the following edge bead and repeat from*. Continue adding sets of three beads all along the edge.





Step 3. Next you need to decide whether to add the 'Little People' bead fringe as you stitch the picot around the bottom of the band or add them once it is completed. I added mine after I had completed the picot by dividing the band into six equal parts using the count of the charted design as a guide. You can of course choose to use more of the 'Little People' beads – the choice is yours!

* To make the fringe, weave in a new thread and exit from the tip of one of the picot's. Pick up 3 x size 11 seed beads, pass down through the top of a 'Little People' bead, pick up 1 x size 11 seed bead and pass back up through the 'Little People' bead. Pass through the third seed bead picked up, pick up 2 x size 11 seed beads and back through the tip of the picot.

Top Tip: Avoid pulling the thread too tightly, as you want the fringe to swing and not stick out.

Weave through to your next chosen point and repeat from * again until you have all six 'Little People' beads in place. Weave in your loose threads and snip off.

Step 4. Once you have completed your band, gently stretch it over the jar. It is amazing how much give there is in Peyote stitch but don't force the band by overstretching it, as you could end up with some broken beads which would be disappointing.

Step 5. Depending on the depth of the neck on your jar, you can make a matching Peyote band to sit around it or you can make a band and hanging loop using another simple stitch, such as a Spiral rope (see Goodies page for the 'NBW Rainbow Lariat' instructions). I used a simple Daisy stitch which I later embellished, but to be honest it probably would have benefitted from being made in Spiral rope using size 11 seed beads for the core and size 15 seed beads for the outer spiral using the six rainbow colours.

Step 6. Once all of your beading is complete, switch on your battery operated tea-light, place it in the jar, hang it up and simply enjoy!



