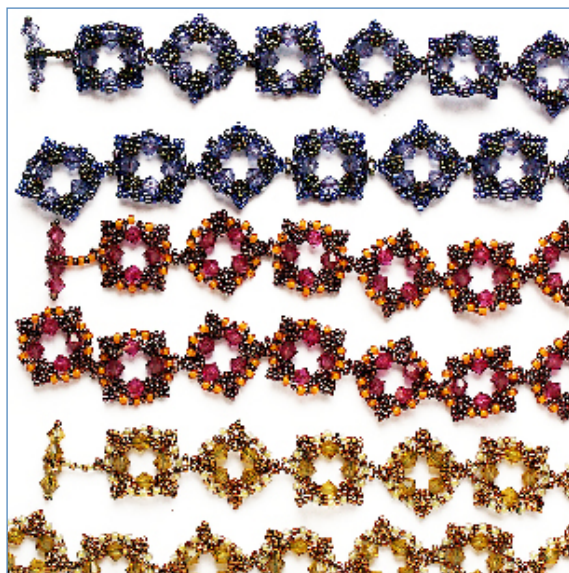







SQUARE DANCE

A free design from Heather Kingsley-Heath to celebrate
National Beading Week July 25th - August 2nd 2020

Cute little squares for earrings, bracelets and necklaces.



-  10g size 15° seed beads (second colour optional) A and B
-  10g size 11° seed beads C
-  4mm Bicone Crystals* D

Beading thread

Beading needle size 10

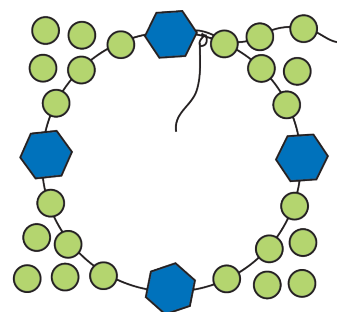
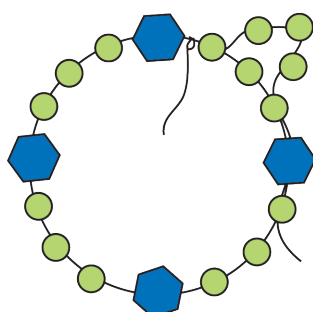
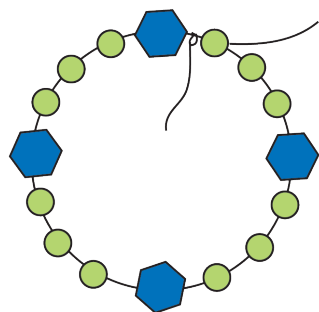
**Note: seed bead quantities are plenty for a bracelet, you may need to add more seed beads for a necklace.*

To calculate crystal number needed: Each square takes 4 crystals. 10 squares will make a Bracelet, (19cm/ 8in) plus you will need 4 more crystals for the toggle.

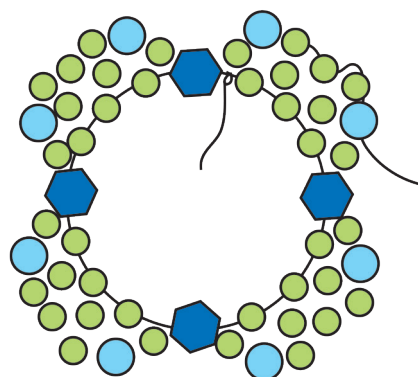
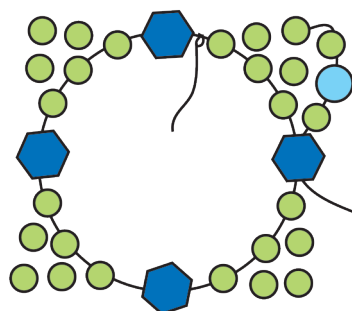
You will need to make 24 squares for a necklace (48cm / 18in).

Step 1 Pick up 3A, 1D four times. Secure in a ring, then exit the first bead of a set of 3A.

Step 2 Pick up 3A pass through third A of the set on the ring, 1D and the first 1A of the next set on the ring. Repeat to have 3A sitting over the centre bead of each 3A on the ring. To step up, pass through the last 1A on the ring and 2A of the first 3A added in this round.



Step 3 Pick up 1A, 1C, 1A, pass through the 1D. Pick up 1A, 1C, 1A and pass through the centre 1A of the next 3A of step 2. Repeat three more times. To step up pass through 1A, 1C of the first set added.



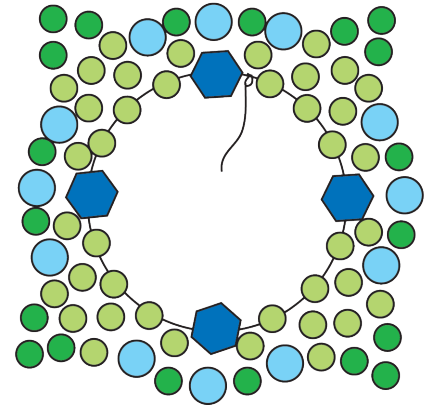
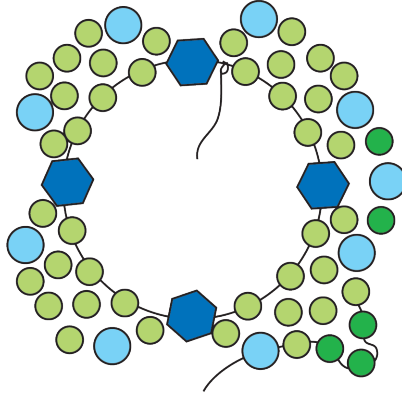
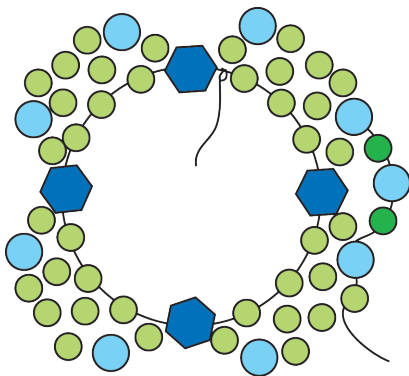
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Step 4 Pick up 1B, 1C, 1B°, pass through 1C, 1A of the next set of step 3.

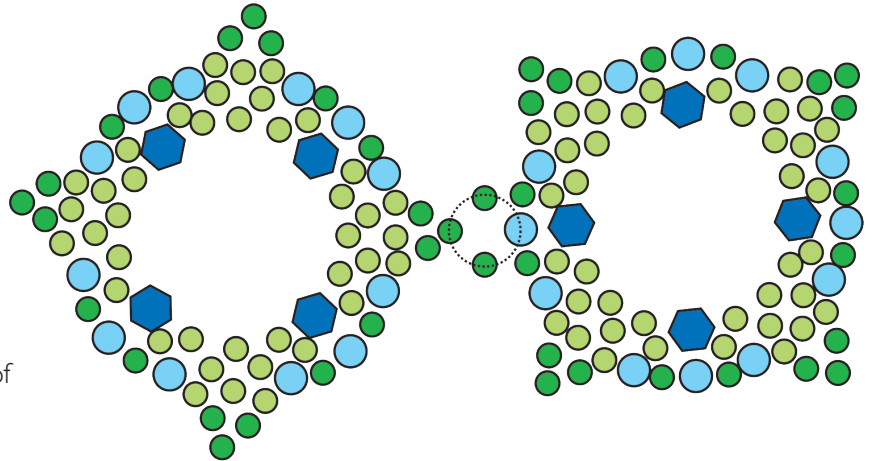
Pick up 3B and pass through 1A, 1C of the next set of the previous round. The 3B make a little triangle over the corner.

Repeat the step, working round the square until you are back at the start.

Finish off the thread tails by working back through the beads to the centre. Keep the beads around the outside edge free of extra thread so there is room to make the joins.



Join Squares through corner beads, corner to centre side, or centre side to centre side. For all the joins you will need to work through the beads along the edges to get in place to join the next square. Use B beads and a Right Angle Weave stitch to make each join.

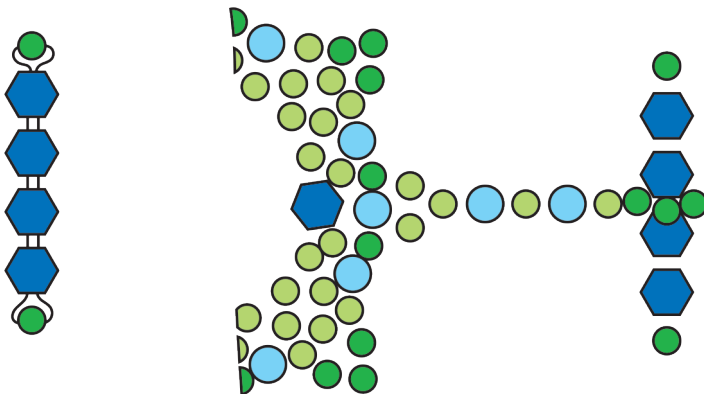


For a necklace, thread through the beads of one edge and join top corners with a strand of beads and crystals between them, like washing on a line. The necklace will curve naturally.

Toggle Step 1 Pick up 1B, 4D, 1B. Pass back through 4D and 1B. Retrace the thread path as many times as you can.

Step 2 Make a ring of A beads to fit snug between crystals two and three (the centre), tie it firmly.

Add a stalk. The stalk needs to be long enough to accommodate the square. Add a bead each side of the bead the stalk is joining to on the square, so that the stalk fits neatly over it (see photo below).



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