

Necklace Happy

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You need:



seed beads size 11/0 - 7 grams black (B)



seed beads size 11/0 - 5 grams white (W)



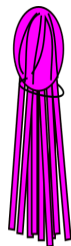
seed beads size 11/0 - 1 gram gold (G)



11 pieces Carrier beads



10 pieces round beads size 5 mm



10 tassels 30 mm



20 pieces Miyuki spacer beads (or another small bead) 3x1.3 mm

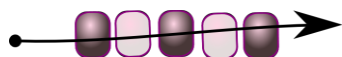
40 cm wire 0.46 mm (Beadalon)

4 crimp beads

2 x 20 cm 6 mm link Chain and a lobster clasp

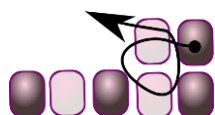
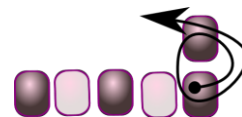
Optional: 2 double loop jump rings/split rings

The carrier beads are covered with seed beads in square stitch



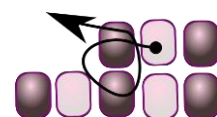
1) Pick up 1B, 1W, 1B, 1W, 1B.

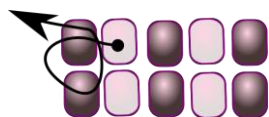
- 2) Pick up 1B and pass for a second time through the last B you picked up in the previous step and pass for a second time through the B you picked up in this step.



- 3) Pick up 1W and pass for a second time through the next W in the previous row and pass through the W you picked up in this step.

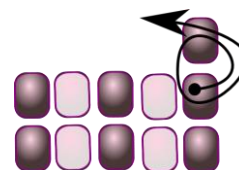
- 4) Pick up 1B and pass for a second time through the next B of the previous row and pass also for a second time through the B you picked up in this step



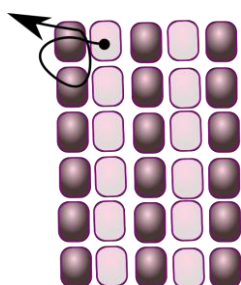


5) Repeat step 3 and 4 adding a W and a B to this row.

6) If you flip your work over, your needle is in the same position as it was when you started step 2. I find it comfortable to work in the same direction all the time.

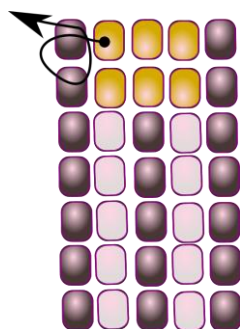
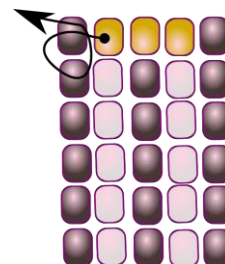


Start again with step 2.



7) Keep repeating step 2-6 adding 1B, 1W, 1B, 1W, 1B until you have 8 rows (one row more or less does not matter).

8) In this row you have to replace the middle 1W, 1B, 1W for 3G beads.

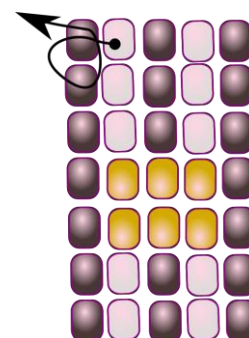


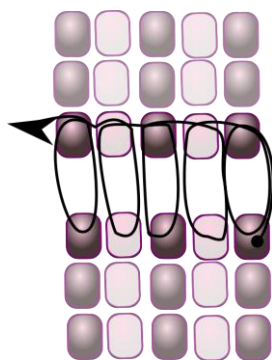
9) Repeat step 8.

10) Keep repeating step 2-6 adding 1B, 1W, 1B, 1W, 1B in each row until you have a total of 19 rows (including the 2 rows with G beads).

In the next step you connect the top part of your work to the bottom part of your work, making a circle to cover the carrier bead.

It is possible your "cover" doesn't fit the carrier bead or isn't tight enough because of tension, brand of seed beads or because you are using plastic carrier beads instead of the glass ones. You can skip a row or add an extra row of B and W beads to make it fit.

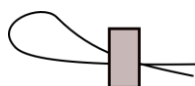




- 11) Fold the top and bottom of your work towards each other. Your needle is exiting an edge B bead on top: pass through the B on the opposite side, pass through the bead you started this step from and pass a second time through the opposite B. Pass also through the next W, pass back through the opposite W and pass a second time through the first W you passed through. Pass through the next B, pass back through the opposite B and pass a second time through the first B you passed through. Repeat until you have connected all top and bottom beads. Finish your thread.

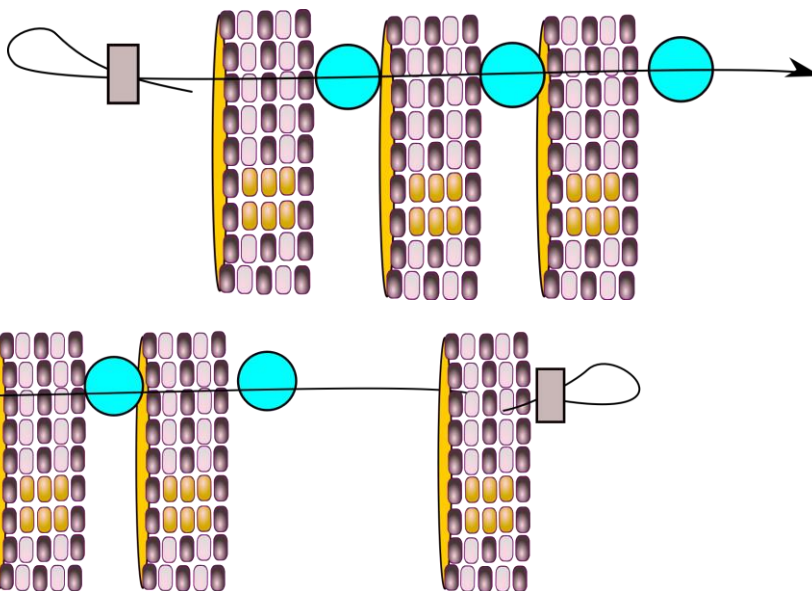
- 12) Repeat step 1-11 ten more times until you have made 11 covers for the carrier beads.

- 13) Slide the covers over the carrier beads. If they don't fit tightly, you can use a drop of glue to stick bead and cover together

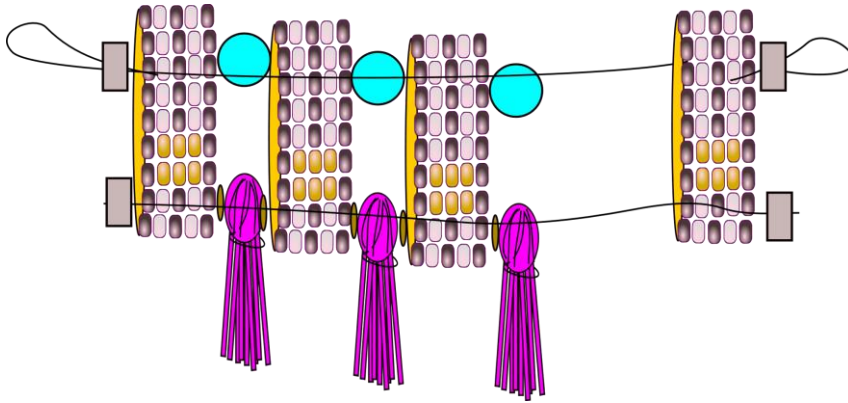


- 14) Take a piece of wire about 20 cm and slide a crimp bead on one of the ends. Pass the end back through the crimp bead, creating a small loop. Squeeze the crimp bead with pliers and cut the remaining wire. You can use the loop for connecting the chain directly or put a split ring between the loop and the chain (if you don't want to use a jump ring, it might be easier to slide one side of the chain onto the wire before you bent the wire into a loop).

- 15) Slide alternating the carrier beads and the 5 mm round beads on the wire Start and end with a carrier bead.



- 16) String a crimp bead on the wire and pass back the end of the wire through the crimp bead creating a loop on this end of the wire. Make sure the wire has the correct length. The beads should fall into a little curve. Squeeze the crimp bead with pliers and cut the remaining wire.



- 17) Take another 20 cm length of wire, slide a crimp bead on one end and squeeze with pliers. Slide the wire through the lower holes of the carrier beads. Add a spacer bead, a tassel and a spacer bead between all carrier beads (depending on the size of the tassel it is possible you do not need the spacer beads or you can use seed beads). End by sliding on a crimp bead. Make sure the bottom curve is a little bit bigger than the top curve. Squeeze the crimp bead with pliers.



Connect the chain with the wire loop using a split ring.

I kept my chain long so I can choose the length of my necklace depending on what I'm wearing.

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