A Petite Flower by Bead Soup

Materials: Fireline (6lb) Beading needle (12) 15/0 seed beads (A) 1g 11/0 Delica beads (D) 2g 3mm rounds (R), 5 beads

Thread a needle with a comfortable working length of thread.





Round 1:

Pick up an R, D, R, D, R, D, R, D, R and a D. Go through all the beads from the tail side leaving enough of a tail to weave in. **Continue through** the first R and D.

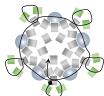
Round 2: Pick up 3 D's. Skip the next R from round 1 and go through the following D. Repeat 4 times. (5 sets total). **Step up** by going through the 1st 2 D's added in this round.

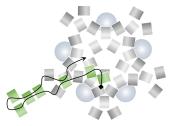




Round 3: Pick up a D and go through the center D of the next set of 3 from round 2. Repeat 4 times. (black line). Note that this pulls the round 2 D's toward the center of the ring formed in round 1. Go through all 5 round 3 D's again, then through 1 more to close the circle. Step up by going through the 1st D added in this round again. Then weave through the next 2 D's from round 2 and the D from round 1 between the R's.

Round 4: Pick up 2 D's. Go through the D the thread is exiting. Weave through the next R and D from round 1. Repeat 4 times. Step up by going through the D this step started in. Weave through the next D from round 2.





Round 5: Pick up 2 D's. Skip the next D in the set of 3 and go

through the following D from round 2. Pick up a D and go through the next D from round 4. Pick up 4 D's, slide down the thread so the beads rest against the round 4 beads. Skip the last 2 D's and go back through the next 2 D's. Go through the other D from round 4 moving toward the center of the beadwork, then through the D added between round 4 and round 2. Continue through the 1st D in the next set of 3 D's added in round 2.

Repeat round 5 four times and step up by going through the first D added in round 5.

Round 6: Pick up 2 D's. Go through next D (the adjacent bead of the pair of D's first added in round 5) and go through the next bead (which is from round 3 and may be hard to see). Peyote the next spot with a D. Peyote the following gap with a pair of D's. Pick up 2 D's and go into the next bead on the end of this petal. Peyote the next space with 2 D's. Peyote the last space with 1 D. Weave through the next D from round 5 (this means when

the last bead is added, the needle travels through 2

D's as if they were a single bead.)

Repeat round 6 four more times. Step up through the first D added in this round (going through 3 D's total)

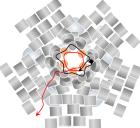




Round 7: Pick up an A and go through the next 2 D's (the 1st from round 6, the 2nd from round 5). Peyote the next space with a D. Peyote the following space with a D, going through the 2D's added in round 6. Peyote the last space with D, going through the first of the 2 D's at the end of the petal. Pick up 2 D's and go through the next D at the end of the petal. Peyote a D, going through 2 D's. Peyote the next space with a D. Peyote the last space with a D, going through 2 D's. (diagram to the left)



Repeat this step 4 times. Step up by going through the first A added in this round.

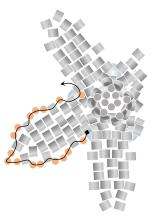


Round 8: Peyote an A going through the next A from round 7. **Repeat 4 times. Step up** first A. (black line, some of the detail has been removed from this diagram to focus on the center of the back of the flower.)

Weave through all 5 A's added in this round. **Weave through** the A from round 7 and the next 3 D's on this petal. (red line)

Round 9: Finishing the petals—Peyote the first space with an A. Peyote the next space with 3 A's. Peyote the following space with 2 A's. Pick up 3 A's and go through the next D at the tip of the petal, forming a picot. Peyote the next space with 2 A's. Peyote the following space with 3 A's. Peyote the last space with 1 A. To move to the next petal, pick up an A and go through the same D on the next petal that corresponds to the D that this step started in.

Repeat 4 times. Step up by going through the first A added in round 9.





Step 10: Adding the bail loop to the back of the petal. **Weave through** the petal beads to exit a D in the pair of D's below the last 2 D's in the petal tip on the back side of the petal. (dotted black line).

Pick up 9 A's. Go through the D that is adjacent to this D (diagonally opposite where the thread is exiting). (red line)

Pick up an A. **Skip** the first A in the loop of 9 beads and **go through** the next 7 A's of the loop. **Pick up an A** and **go through** the D the bail loop started in. (blue line)

Weave through the beads at the tip of this petal and secure the thread and end it. Secure the tail thread and end it.