

The Bead Shak

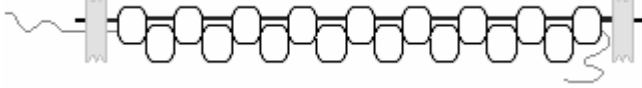


Beaded Ornament Instructions

1. Begin by cutting 1 yd. of cording. Thread it onto needle.
2. Tape pattern to your work surface. Tape cording leaving a 12" tail to the left side of row 1. String the beads from row 1 and 2 onto the cording.

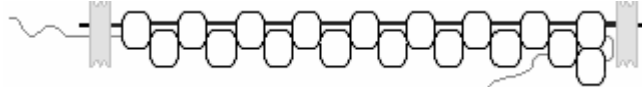


3. Slip chenille stem through every other bead to form row 1 and 2. Tape chenille stem to pattern, lining up the beads with the pattern.

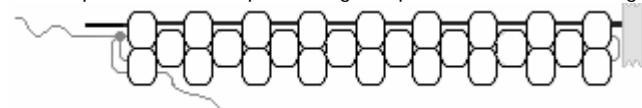


(NOTE: Row 3 and every odd numbered row from this point will be worked right to left. Even numbered rows will be worked left to right.)

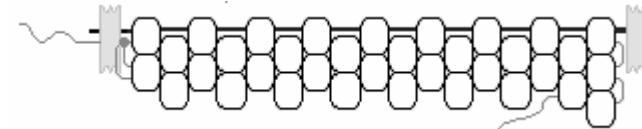
4. String on the first bead in row 3. Pass the needle back through the last bead on row 2 to lock into place.



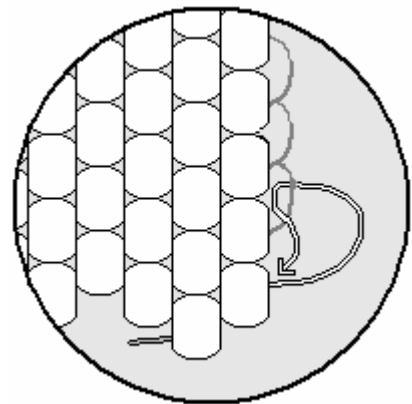
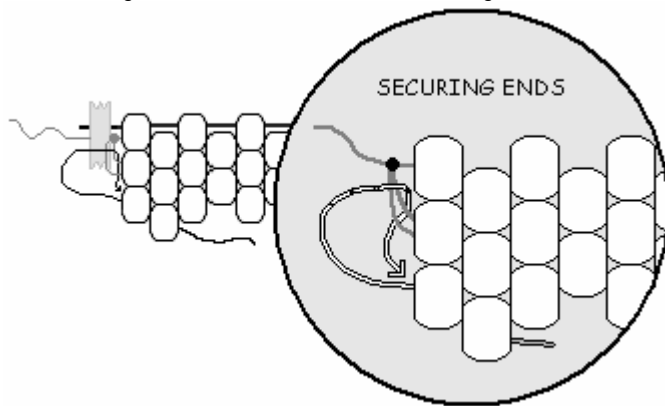
5. Continue adding beads and locking into place. When you come to the end of row 3 remove the tape from the cording and tie ends together into a square knot. Re-tape cording and pass needle back through the last bead on row 3.



6. Continue working rows back and forth. Be sure to keep your project aligned with the pattern. (NOTE: When you have only 6" of cording remaining tie another strand onto it and when you add beads try to cover the knot with a bead.)



7. After you have placed the last bead on row 5, pass the needle through the outer edge cording as shown to secure and back through the last bead and begin on the next row. Continue working back and forth beading rows.



8. After you have placed the last bead on row 16 pass the needle through the end bead of row 15. Pass through outer edge cording to secure and back through both beads.
9. Continue across row and after placing the last bead on this row, go up through end bead of the previous row, then around the cord to secure and back through both beads. Continue through the last row, tapering at each end.
10. When you have done the last row of your pattern, go up through end bead of previous row. Pass needle around cording and back through. Make sure your project is secure by pulling slightly. Tie a square knot. Glue knot just inside of last bead and trim excess cording.
11. Rotate pattern and project. Remove tape from cording by row 1 and thread onto needle. Pass needle through the end bead.
12. Work the remaining rows using the same technique, tapering at each end. When you have finished your project completely, secure with a square knot. Gently remove the tape and the chenille stem.
13. Slip ribbon through the top row of your project and tie into a square knot for hanging. Trim ends.