

Pretty Posies

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Supply List for bracelet

- SuperDuos – 6.5 grams
- Size 11° seed beads – 2 grams
- 4 or 5mm Swarovski pearls – 1 per flower, so 7-12 depending on size
- Clasp of your choice
- Fireline - 6lb
- Size 11 or 12 beading needles



Simple is beautiful. Editing is hard. I've seen the SuperDuos turned into gorgeous and elaborate flowers, but I was longing for elegant simplicity. It's no coincidence that my favorite flower is a Gerbera Daisy.

*YouTube video
tutorial at:*
[http://youtu.be/
Lf4sxUsrmoQ](http://youtu.be/Lf4sxUsrmoQ)

These pretty little flowers are the perfect element to connect together as you wish. A single line for a precious bracelet. A couple dangles for earrings. A web connected together will create a fabulous necklace. You and I can be designers together. I designed the component. Now you get to decide how to use it!

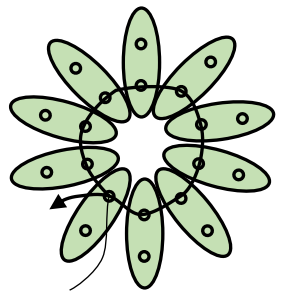
First Flower

Step 1

Using about 2 yards of Fireline (or whatever length you're comfortable with,) thread your needle. Pick up 10 SuperDuos.



From the tail end pass back through all of the beads, and then continue forward through one more SuperDuo again so that the working thread is exiting one side of the bead and the tail thread is exiting the other side.

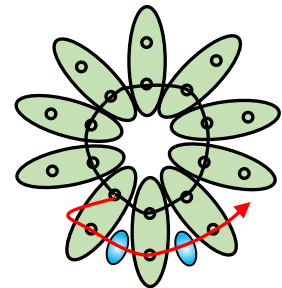


Step 2

Pass the needle through the outside edge hole in the SuperDuo your thread is exiting from (shown in red.) The thread will show right now between the two holes, but it won't show when you're finished, so don't worry.

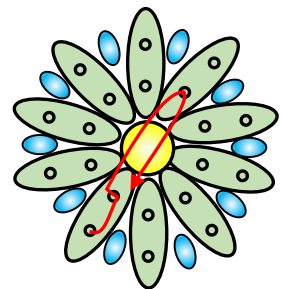
Pick up a seed bead and then pass through the next outside edge SuperDuo hole. Repeat all the way around the flower.

Tip: Don't pull really tight or else you may have difficulty attaching the pearl in the center. You will reinforce this outer ring later, so you'll get your chance to pull tight then.



Step 3

To attach the pearl in the center, you'll have to get to the inside set of holes again. So make a u-turn and pass through the inside hole of the SuperDuo your thread is exiting. Pick up the pearl, and then pass through the inside hole of the SuperDuo directly opposite the one you are exiting. Pass back through the pearl, and then back through the opposite side of the original SuperDuo exited.



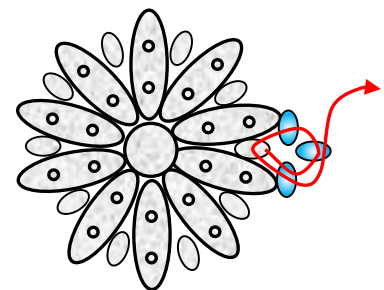
Step 4

Now you can reinforce the inner ring and the outer ring if needed and desired. I usually do, simply because it's an extra pass of thread that will help keep my piece from breaking.

Step 5 - Connector

Work your thread so it is exiting a seed bead on the outside edge. The first time you attach a connector, it won't matter which seed bead it is. After that you'll want to make sure you're exiting the seed bead opposite the first connector.

Pick up three seed beads and pass back through the bead originally exited, making a circle. You just created a right-angle weave unit. Now get to the outside tip seed bead by moving forward around the circle by two beads.



Step 6 - Start Next Flower

You're ready to add another flower! Where with the first flower we started at the inside of the flower and then worked to the outside, you'll be reversing that for the remaining flowers. We will start by creating the outside ring first.

Pick up a SuperDuo, and a seed bead 9 times + one more SuperDuo. You should have a total of 10 SuperDuos and 10 seed beads (including the one you're already exiting from.)

Pass back through the seed bead originally exited, plus a few more beads, ending by exiting a SuperDuo.

Step 7 - Connect the Inside Ring

Make a u-turn on the SuperDuo you're exiting so you can move your thread to the inside ring, and then pass through all the inside ring holes to connect them.

Repeat Steps 3 – 7 until you have the length desired.

Sizing

Each flower is 5/8" by itself. A flower plus a connector is 3/4". I assume the average toggle clasp would add about 1" to the length.

So for a 7" bracelet, you'd want 8 flowers, and your clasp would be the remainder.

7.5" bracelet – you could either go with 8 flowers and a longer clasp connection, or 9 flowers to end up with a 7.75" bracelet.

For my 8" bracelet – I was happy with 10 flowers.

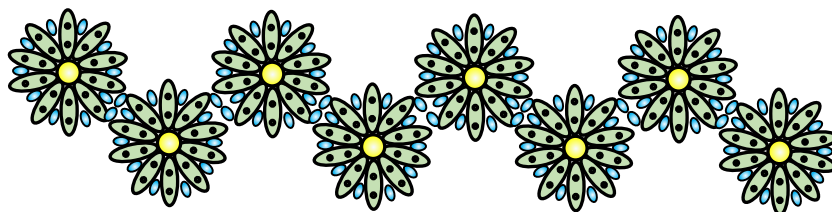
Attach clasp

Very simple clasp attachment! Exiting the outside seed bead at the center of you bracelet, pick up 3 seed beads, your toggle ring end, and then 3 more seed beads. Reinforce this path twice more.

On the toggle bar end, pick up 5 seed beads on either side of the toggle bar so it's long enough to go through the toggle ring. Reinforce twice more and then end your thread.

What else can I make?

While I connected these flowers into a simple straight line, you could play around with attachments in many different ways. Go wild! Now make a BUNCH of them! Enjoy!





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