

Boho Bursts!

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Earrings Supply List

- Quicklinks solid round rings (12, 20, or 25mm) - 2
- Size 11 Delicas in 2 or 3 colors – 1 or 2 grams each
- Size 15 seed beads – 1 gram
- 4mm Swarovski Bicones - 2
- 25-30mm tassels - 2
- Earwires
- 4mm jump rings – 2 (if necessary)
- Beading thread of your choice, Size D, or Fireline – 6lb test
- Size 11 or 12 beading needles



Pendant Supply List

- Quicklinks solid round ring (20mm or 25mm) - 1
- Size 11 Delicas in 2 or 3 colors – 1 or 2 grams each
- Size 15 seed beads – 1 gram
- 4mm Swarovski Bicone - 1
- 25-30mm tassel - 1
- 5 or 6mm jump ring – 1
- Necklace of your choice
- Beading thread of your choice, Size D, or Fireline – 6lb test
- Size 11 or 12 beading needles



Brick Stitch Components

This fun project was designed by Chloe Menage of Pinkhot Jewellery and she has lots of fun and festive projects available on her website here: <https://www.pinkhot.co.uk/>

You can follow along with the video demonstration of these instructions on YouTube.



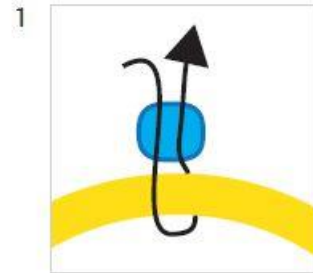
Video Link: <https://youtu.be/yM8nvFHeLvA>

Getting Started

Round 1

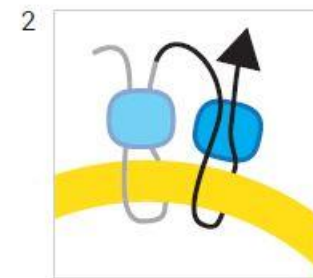
STEP 1

Cut a wingspan of thread and wax well (Jill's note: wax optional, but may help with extra tension if you need it.) Pick up one Delica, move it to the end of your thread leaving a short tail. Place the bead on the outside of the metal ring, pass the thread through the ring and then pass back through the bead towards the tail end of the thread. Pull snug and hold the tail for tension.



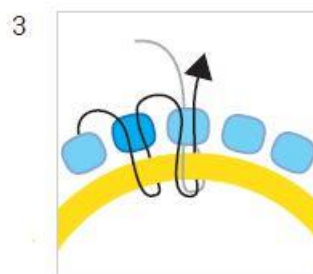
STEP 2

Pick up one more bead, pass through the ring and then back up through the bead added. Snug this bead up neatly next to the first and pull tight. Repeat this step around the ring (modified brick stitch) to add beads all the way around.



STEP 3

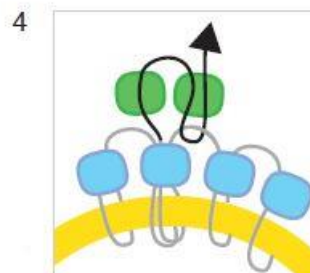
When you get back to the beginning and can't comfortably fit on any new beads then pass your thread down into the first bead, pass through the ring and then back up through the first bead to secure.



Round 2

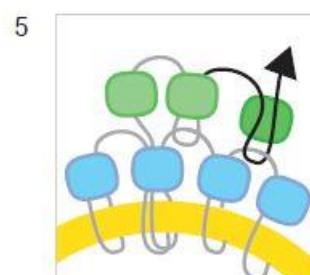
STEP 4

To begin the next row you will pick up two Delicas. Pass your needle under the thread bridge joining the adjacent beads in the previous row. Pass back through the second bead picked up.



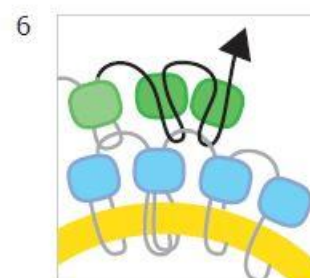
STEP 5

Pick up one Delica and pass your needle under the next thread bridge and back through the bead (brick stitch).



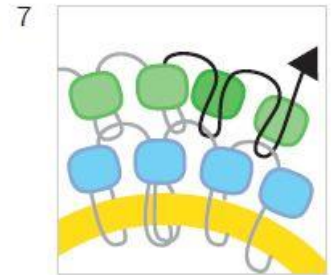
STEP 6

Work your way around the ring adding this second row of Delicas in brick stitch. In order to keep the shaping you will need to add some increases. To do this you will simply stitch a second bead to a thread bridge. You should do this every five or six beads, or whenever it feels like the next bridge is a bit of a stretch. This will vary depending on your own tension. Try to keep your work neat and the rows flat, with no gaps or bumps. There will be some beads that jut out but you can smooth the work flat using your thumb and first finger.



STEP 7

When you get back to the beginning and have space for just one bead pick up your final bead, add it in the same way as before then pass down into the first bead, under the thread bridge and back up through the bead, ready to start the next row.

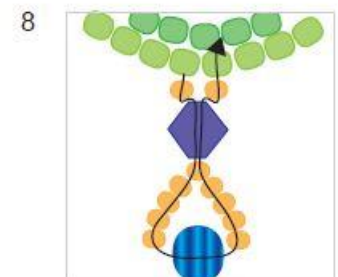


Round 3

Repeat Steps 4-7 to add a third row of beads. You can choose to stitch each of these rows in a different colour or you could do two or all of the rows in the same color.

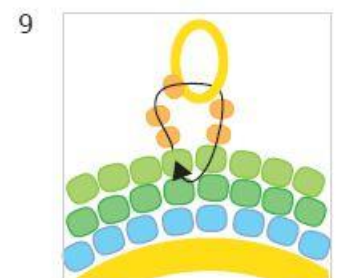
Add the Tassel

To add the tassel; exit from a Delica on the outside edge. Pick up one size 15 bead, a 4mm crystal and five size 15 beads. Pass through the centre of a tassel. Pick up four size 15 beads and then pass the needle through the first size 15 in the group of five, then the crystal. Pick up one size 15 and pass into the Delica next to the one you exited. Exit from the original Delica and reinforce this work twice more.



Finish It Up

To make earrings or a pendant: After adding the tassel work around to the top of the beaded ring, weaving through the beads in the outer two rows. Exit from the Delica opposite the bottom decoration. Pick up five size 15s and an earwire or split ring. Pass into the next Delica along, checking your ring is still centred. Pass up into the original Delica and reinforce this two more times. Work in threads and trim.



ENJOY!! Have fun! Be creative!