



Instructions for 'Refill - Beaded Kumihimo Wrap Bracelet - Candy Cane' Kit

Project XB-SP-044DS [Skill Level: Intermediate]

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Project Components | NOTE: To account for potential mistakes, there may be extra pieces of some types of findings.

	1 - white seed beads		1 - silver-plated magnetic clasp
	1 - red seed beads		1 - white cord

Recommended Tools (not included)

Scissors

Techniques Taught:

How to add beads to an 8-warp Kumihimo braid, How to make an 8-warp Kumihimo braid, How to tie an overhand knot

Instructions: For video instructions, go to www.beadaholique.com/instructions-for-making-the-beaded-kumihimo-wrap-bracelet-kit.html

These instructions will give you a triple wrap bracelet. However you can wrap twice if you prefer just adjust the length of your Kumihimo accordingly. Use this as a guide: by completing 22 inches of beaded Kumihimo you will be able to do a triple wrap of 6.5". Note that the clasp will add about 7/8 of an inch.

1. Begin by cutting 8 strands of cord, 6 feet long each.
2. Gather all 8 cords, about 2 inches from the end, and tie a simple overhand knot* tying them all together. Holding the board facing up, thread this knot through the center hole.
3. Place the cords to the left and right of the 32 dot as well as to the left and right of the 16 dot. You will then place a cord to the left and right of the 24 dot and to the left and right of the 8 dot. Attach your weight (see note below) to the knot after you have positioned your cords.
4. Pour out the tube of white seed beads on to your work space. Divide the beads into four equal sections. You can eyeball this amount. For a 6.5" bracelet you will have more than you need.
5. For the strands on both sides of the 32 dot and both sides of the 16 dot, string on one of the quartered section of your divided beads. Once you have strung the beads onto one strand, pop open your bobbin and place the tail end of one piece of cord into it. Tape this end in place. Wind the bobbin so that you have approx. 15" sticking out. Close the bobbin. You can add a small piece of tape to secure the bobbins. Repeat with your other 3 strands of white beads.
6. Pour out the tube of red seed beads on to your work space. Divide the beads into four equal sections.
7. For the strands on both sides of the 8 dot and both sides of the 24 dot, string on one section of your divided beads. Once you have strung the beads onto one strand, pop open your bobbin and place the tail end of one piece of cord into it. Tape this end in place. Wind the bobbin so that you have approx. 15" sticking out. Close the bobbin. Repeat with your other 3 strands of red beads.
8. To see how to do the braiding, please refer to the instructions and illustrations for a Simple 8-Warp Braid* that came with your Kit, or please refer to our video.
9. Braid 1" without beads.
10. After you have braided about an inch, start adding beads*. You will add one bead to every warp, every time. Note that you want the colors to be oriented the same as you started so that the spiral works out correctly. White beads around the 32 and 16 dot. The red beads around the 8 and 24 dot.
11. After you have braided your desired length with beads, braid another inch without beads. You may have extra beads on each strand depending on the length you have braided.
12. Reach into the hole in the disk and grasp your where your braid ends and pull the cords out of their slots on the disk so you can pull your braid away from the disk. Tie a simple overhand knot* tying them all together. Trim the loose cords.

13. To attach the clasp, cut a 12 inch length of super-lon cord and tie an overhand knot over the braided portion of the end of the Kumihimo without the beads. Tie another overhand knot to secure. Then take the tails and wrap around the braided portion to bulk up the tail end. When it is the right bulk to fit in the well of the clasp, tie another knot to secure and trim the ends with your scissors.
14. Trim the end of the braided portion so it fits inside the well of the clasp. Using a toothpick or scrap of wire, add a dab of E6000 to the well of the clasp. Place the end of the braid into the clasp. Set aside. Move to the other end of the bracelet and repeat the above steps to complete the clasp on this side of the bracelet. Make sure to leave the clasp un-clasped as it dries completely.

Note: You will also need some tape, a ruler, and a toothpick or scrap piece of wire for this project. If you do not have a kumihimo weight, you will need to make something to weigh down your braid as you work. A binder clip with a small several ounce objects (heavy pen, bag of pennies) attached to it via a rubber band or cord length works great. The weight is to help with the tension of the braid.

*To see how to do this technique, please refer to the included techniques guide. Thank you!

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