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Beaded Berry Chain



Hi Everyone!

“Emily Miller here, your seed bead tour guide and newest addition to the beadshop.com learning team. This week we had some technical difficulties, aka “camera mishaps,” but we hope that didn’t discourage you from tuning in either during the broadcast or afterwards on [Youtube](https://www.youtube.com), or from our [Beaded Berry Project Page](#). Thanks for your patience! Next week should be way better.”

~Emily



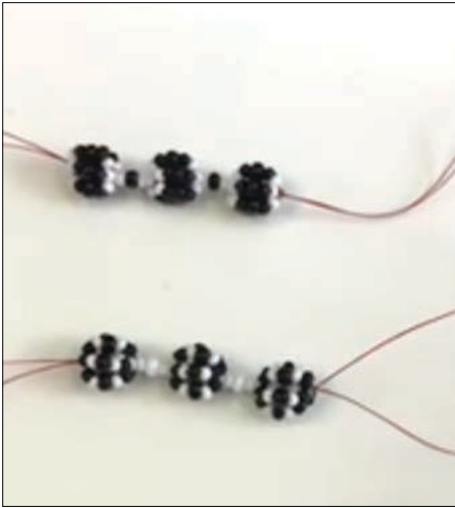
We have an amazing project for you this week. With the precision of a choreographer and the humor of a standup comedian, Emily demonstrates step-by-step every aspect of making these beaded berries...including her tricks for threading seed bead needles; it’s all in the video. In this week’s Episode Notes, we will highlight the steps and minute markers, so you can find the learning you want easily.

Let’s begin....

Emily starts by showcasing a really lovely design by Susan H. of Calgary, Canada. On May 24, Emily and Kate did an episode, [Facebook LIVE Bead Crochet](#), a project using a classic bead crochet stitch. We also received a question last week on air asking about other ways to end the beaded loop besides lightweight crochet. And then this week we received photos of Susan’s design with seed beads used to reinforce and embellish the button loop. Susan used her own stash, but many look familiar as beadshop beads.

Great job, Susan!

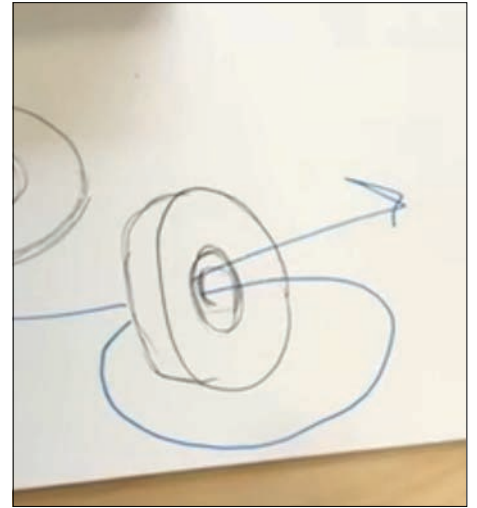




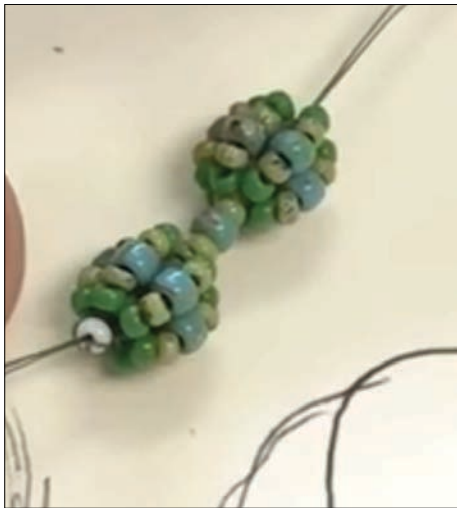
There are endless possibilities for patterns. Emily uses one Size 8/0 seed bead and two colors of 11/0's. Here is what can be done with just black and white.



Minute 12:24
The magic begins with Emily demonstrating how to properly thread a needle. She makes it look easy but she promises it gets easier with practice. She cuts 1-1/2 yards of KO and threads a Size 12 needle.



Minute 19:00
For this project you will use your thread doubled. Emily doesn't tie a security knot, she uses a stopper bead. Pick a seed bead in a color not in the project and string it on about 8 inches from the tails.



Minute 22:00
The beaded berry starts with a core of three seed beads in Size 8/0.



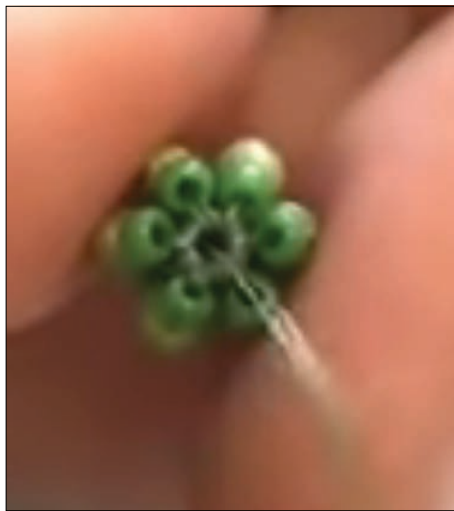
After the stopper bead, string on your three 8/0 seed beads.



Next is the first group of beads Emily calls the "ribs" that make up the outside rows of the berry.



Watch as Emily builds the outer ribs one row of beads at a time. As she says, "lather, rinse, repeat!"



Each beaded berry has six ribs around.



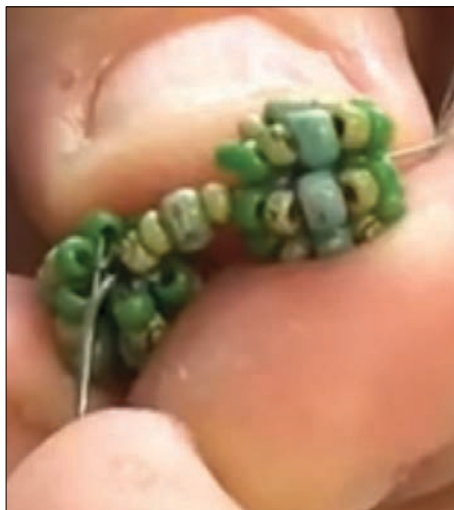
Minute 29:15

Next, to create the next berry, you'll want to add spacer beads, your three 8/0 seed beads for your core, and then your row that makes up the first rib.

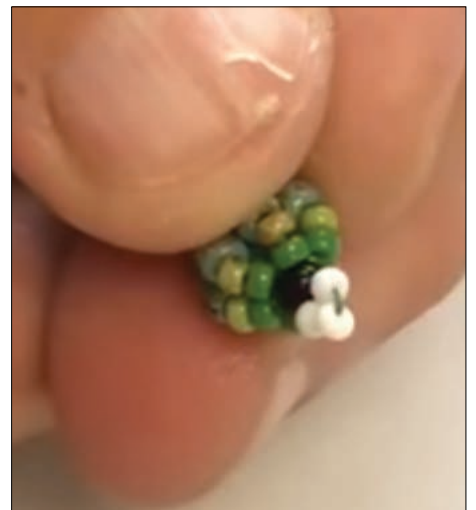


Minute 33:15

The second berry bead form surfaces as you repeat building the pattern around the core 8/0 seed beads. Note: The first berry bead becomes the "button" at the end of the bracelet.

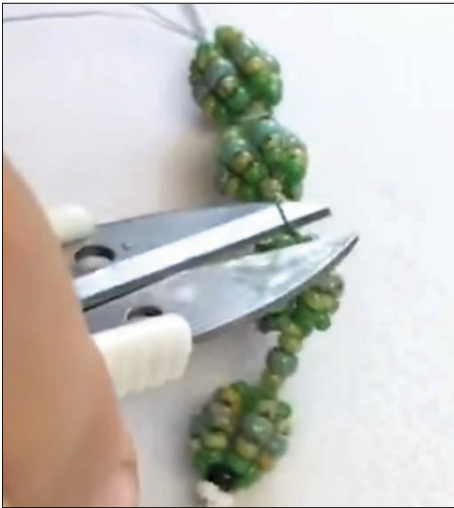


Watch how Emily demonstrates adding a new thread and needle and dropping the old. It's very cool and practice will make perfect!



Minute 53:56

We learn how to make this adorable embellishment called a "picot." It's three little beads that give the first berry bead a bit of style.



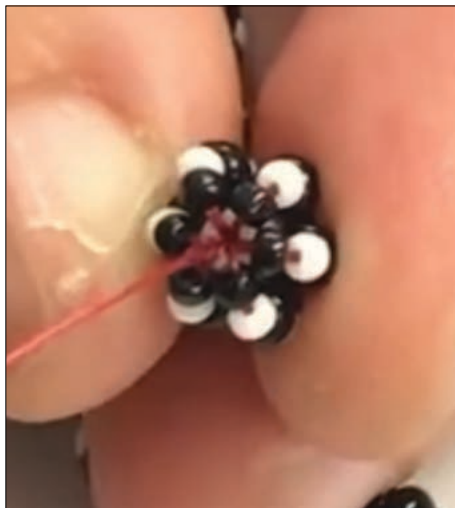
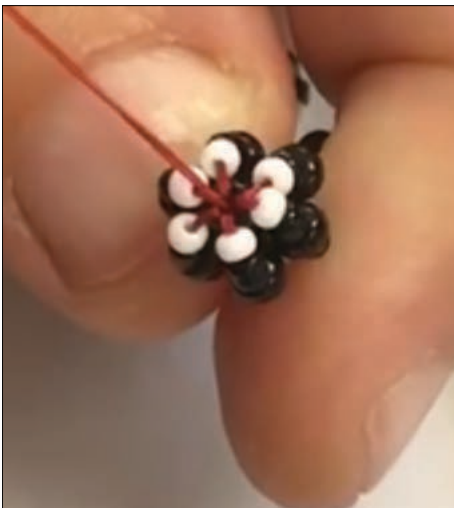
Using Thread Snips, Emily demonstrates how to cut the excess threads away. She doesn't recommend glue for this seed bead stitch.



Minute 1:00:07
We learn how to make the loop for the ending. Again, somehow Emily makes it look so darn easy!



Always check the loop will fit the beaded berry "button" comfortably. Emily strings back through the loop and adds a picot at the halfway point.



Getting near the end of the broadcast, Emily shows how the pattern can vary just by changing the order of the beads. This was Emily's first solo Facebook LIVE broadcast without Kate (or Janice). From the viewer response, she was amazing, yes? Even this author :) learned so many things she never knew. So, from my living room in Virginia, I say "Yes to Seed Bead School! Way to go, Em!"

~janice

Beaded Berry Chain by Emily Miller



Chloe

- 1 Tube Picasso Seafoam Green 8/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Tube Picasso Chartreuse Matte 11/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Tube Opaque Green 11/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Spool Dark Olive KO Thread
- 1 Pkg Size 12 4-Pack Beadsmith Seed Bead Needles

Thread Snips



Abigail

- 1 Tube Blush Lined Crystal 8/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Tube Matte Opaque Light Rose 11/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Tube Matte Opaque Blush 11/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Spool Natural KO Thread
- 1 Pkg Size 12 4-Pack Beadsmith Seed Bead Needles

Thread Snips



Bella

- 1 Tube Dyed Pale Pink S/L Alabaster 8/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Tube Dyed Lilac S/L Alabaster 11/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Tube Duracoat S/L Dyed Dark Lilac 8/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Spool Rose KO Thread
- 1 Pkg Size 12 4-Pack Beadsmith Seed Bead Needles

Thread Snips



Misty

- 1 Tube Dyed Smoky Opal S/L Alabaster 8/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Tube Matte Opaque Pale Blue 11/0 Seed Beads
- 1 Tube Gilding Matte 11/0 Metal Seed Beads
- 1 Spool Light Grey KO Thread
- 1 Pkg Size 12 4-Pack Beadsmith Seed Bead Needles

Thread Snips

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