

Beadshop LIVE: 9.18.19

Leather & Pearl Wrap



The 2019 Bead Retreat is a wrap! Kate is back and guess what she has with her?

A wrap!!

This new bracelet is simply stunning and stunningly simple.

Pairing leather with large holed beads creates a look you'll love. It's so easy to make, but your results are just gorgeous...Kate's calling her colorway Moon Drops, but of course you know we want you to find your unique voice, too...at our Retreat we heard from Janice in what she's calling her Keynote Speech about finding your own bead voice, a topic which Kate touches upon in our pre-show chit chat. It's one reason why we offer not only our own color palettes but also Recipe Pages to help you pick and choose what you want...what do we always say? You do you!

For the chat about Janice's Keynote head to **Minute Marker 3:00**, which is followed by more Retreat Wrap-Up!

To get right to today's project, skip to **Minute Marker 17:00**.

Minute Marker 17:00

With Moon Drops, Kate has a convertible piece of jewelry that could be either a wrap bracelet or a long necklace. Make it whatever length you want! Kate used one entire 4 yard bundle of 1.5mm leather to create this, but of course you can use less if you want! Adding a variety of pearls and knots makes this look!

Here's a list of some of our fave Large Hole Beads...

Large Hole Pearls

Large Hole Stones

Czech Roller Beads

<u>Shadows</u> (see size charts on each Shadows product page)

Green Girl Studios Beads

Mirage Beads

You can also find many larger holed beads in Metal Beads and Tribal and Trade!

Here's a list of the 1.5mm Leathers Kate shows:

Metallic Gray

Gray

Distressed Gray

Distressed Violet

Metallic Purple

<u>Metallic Maroon</u>

<u>Natural</u>

Metallic Champagne

Metallic Gold

Don't want to use leather? Check out our Surfer Cord!



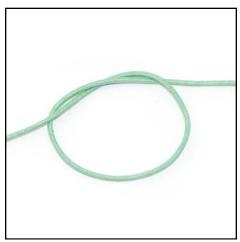
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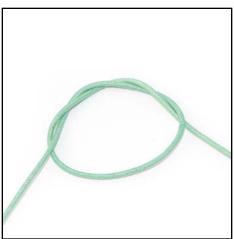
Kate shows how she began...simply bring your leather through your button, silk wrap with <u>Regular C-Lon</u> to secure, and use the end to create a small decorative tail. Kate also adds a charm to that tail, using another Silk Wrap to secure. Skill Builder: How to Silk Wrap



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Now, those knots Kate is working with? They're Surgeon's Knots, something you've seen us use before, especially between beads like we're doing here. A Surgeon's Knot is an overhand knot that you go through the loop *twice*, not once. It creates a very neat knot that allows for the cord to lie straighter than it would with overhand knots, which tends to kink the overall look into a sort of zig-zag.









See how the overhand knot on the left makes that "crook" in the leather, but the surgeon's knot on the right has the leather straight?

This is a really simple project, isn't it? Just bead and knot, bead and knot, bead and knot! Make patterns or go random...add a few beads at once or a few knots at once...it's entirely up to you. Enjoy it! Kate spends the bulk of the video testing knots and beads, and just creating! So for Notes, we'll skip to the closure...



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Once you've beaded and knotted as long a length as you like...it's time to close it off! Measure the bracelet around your wrist for length, and create a simple button loop by bringing the end of your leather back around on itself. Double check that the loop is large enough for your button to fit through it, but not so large that it could fall out! Once again, silk wrap it in place, and make another decorative tail and trim!









Make it yours! Don't forget that we have tons of buttons and charms...here's all our <u>Concho</u>
Button and Feather Dance Charm colors.

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Gitte comments on how similar this is to our <u>Storm Series</u> necklaces...and right she is! Want to check out those projects? <u>They're right here!</u>

Short and sweet, but doesn't it make quite an impact? Thanks so much for tuning in this week, and every week! We love the support, Bead Fam! Happy beading...



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Links to Events and More...

- Last Week's Episode: Odyssey Update
- Beadshop LIVE Youtube Playlist
- Beadshop LIVE Archive Page
- Free Tip Friday YouTube Playlist
- FTF Archive Page
- Society6 Site (for Alfie mugs and more!)

Links to This Project's Ingredients...

<u>Leather and Beads</u> and <u>Recipe</u>

Moon Drops

- 1 Concho Button- Silver
- 1 Spool Cocoa Regular C-Lon
- 1 Pkg <u>1.5mm Natural Leather</u>

Approx. 20-25 7mm Grey Large Hole Potato Pearls

Approx. 10 <u>10mm Grey Large Hole Round Pearls</u>

Approx. 10 12mm White Large Hole Rice

Approx. 10 11mm Peacock Large Hole Rice Pearls

1 Feather Dance Charm- Silver



You will also want to have...

Flush Cutters and Thread Burner

