

Diadem

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As part of the Crown Collection, Diadem is full of texture and Spring colors. The “Crowns” made their first debut in the recent Look Book, *Follow Your Daydreams*, a collective by the Beadshop.com’s Design Team. This fresh new take on the classic Bollywood design will have you feeling like a Queen.

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Ingredients:

- 1 Fragrant Blossom Button - Antique Silver
- 1 Spool Teal Regular C-Lon
- 1 Spool Turquoise Regular C-Lon
- 1 Spool Azalea Regular C-Lon
- 1 Pkg Metallic Teal 1mm Indian Leather
- 1 Pkg Turquoise 1mm Indian Leather
- 1 Pkg Metallic Purple 1mm Indian Leather
- 1 Tube 8-1017 Silver Lined Emerald AB 8/0 Miyuki Seed Beads
- 1 Tube 8-571 Dyed Mint Green S/L Alabaster 8/0 Miyuki Seed Beads
- 1 Tube 8-142FR Matte Transparent Smoky Amethyst 8/0 Miyuki Seed Beads
- 1 Pkg Evolve - Silver
- 1 Pkg Big Shadows - Silver Plate
- 1 Hibiscus Drop Charm - Antique Silver
- 1 Pkg 9mm Oval Coil Jump Rings - Antique Silver
- 1 Tube GS Hypo Cement
- 1 Tube Zap Glue
- 1 Pkg Collapsible Eye Needles

Additional Learning:

- How to Macramé
- Bollywood Project





Cut 3 strands (1 of each color) of leather (length of bracelet + 3" X 2). Fold the center strand in half and tie a Larks Head knot through the button shank. Leave the "ears" of the knot a little loose.



Take one of the other leather strands and fold in half. Loop through one of the "ears". Repeat with the last strand. Make sure all the leather ends are even.



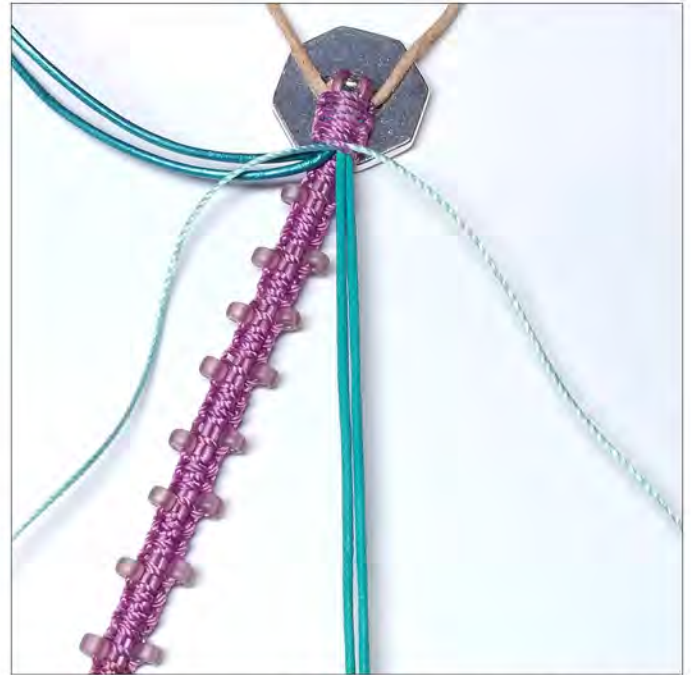
Cut 4 1/2 yards of C-Lon for the center strand. Fold in half and string through the "ears" of the knot. Make sure the ends are even and then snug up the "ears" by giving the center strand of leather a gentle tug.



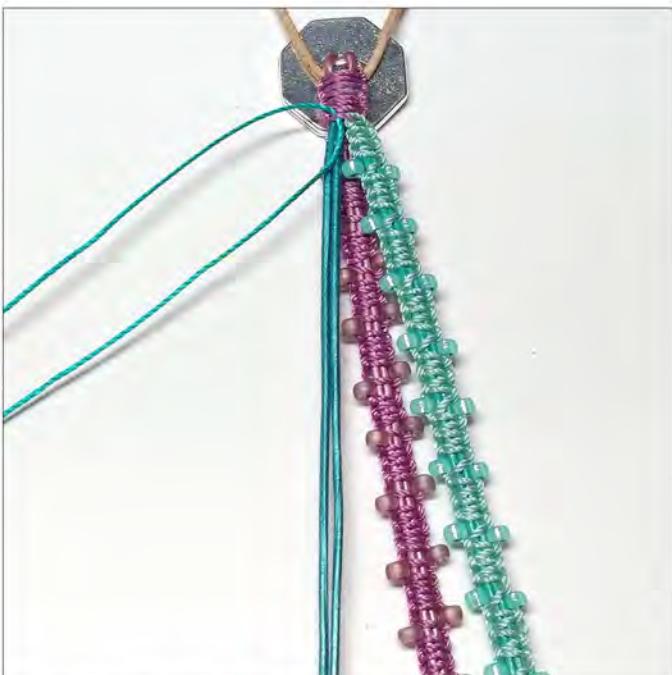
Hold all strands of leather together and macramé 4 - 5 pairs of square knots. The knots should just reach the edge of the button.



Flip the piece over and macramé your favorite Bollywood pattern over the center strands of leather. This one uses alternating beads with 2 flat knot pairs in between. Continue making knots until you reach the length of bracelet minus 1 inch.



Flip the piece over. Cut another piece of C-Lon 4 yards long and fold in half. Insert through a flat knot loop to secure. Make sure ends are even and repeat the macramé pattern on the 2nd strand of leather.



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Flip the piece back over and braid from the front. Keep the braid snug and even. Do not be alarmed if the strands are uneven when you get to the bottom.



At this point, the ends may be uneven so just add more knots and beads to each strand. Keep braiding until you reach the required length and all ends are even.



Stack one strand on top of another, keeping the original center strand on top. Use a pin if needed to keep together. Cut a piece of C-Lon approx. 1 yard long. Macramé 3 pairs of flat knots over all.



Slide an Evolve over all strands. Hold out to the side the 2 C-Lon threads that were used in the center Bollywood. These should be longer than the other threads. Also hold out the 2 working threads that were recently added. Apply Zap glue into the leather and C-Lon below the 3 pairs of flat knots.



Working quickly, slide the Evolve up tightly against the knots. Let dry thoroughly.



In this step, you will begin to remove all the leather and 2 pairs of C-Lon thread. Start by making a pair of knots and remove a few strands. Make another pair of knots and taper down by removing a few strands between the knots. Repeat until only the 4 C-Lon strands remain. They will form the button loop. Pay careful attention to remove the correct strands.



When you have removed all but the 4 working threads, slide on large Shadow bead. This is where the button loop begins.



Continue to macramé pairs of flat knots until this section is long enough to slide over the button. Be sure to check it with the actual button.



When you have reached the correct length, thread the needle with the 2 inner threads. Slide needle back through the Shadow bead and snug up.



Flip your piece vertically so your button loop is toward the top. Tie a pair of flat knots just above the Shadow bead. Add a drop of Hypo Cement under the knot and snung down to secure.



Thread the tails of the C-Lon into your needle and run back through the Shadow bead. Tie flat knots until you reach the Evolve. Using the needle again, run the tails through the Evolve.



Continue to macramé pairs of flat knots until you reach the braided section. You are almost finished so just tie it off and glue or use your thread burner to clean up the ends.



Add the charm using the oval jump ring and, ta da...you are now officially "crowned."