



PRETTY PAISLEY BRACELET

A Sleepless Beader™ Tutorial from Leslie Rogalski

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Oh, Paisley Duos! They work in any direction--left or right!
In this bracelet make three flower components with Paisley Duos and Gem Duos.
Link them with more Gem Duos and add detail with seed beads.
Add sections of Gem Duos at each end to adjust for any length!

Skill Level: All

Techniques to know: Tying square knots, weaving in to end thread, familiar with two-holed beads

MATERIALS

24 Paisley Duos

32 Gem Duos (plus extra for longer length)

5g size 11 seed beads

2 closed jump rings, 4 or 6mm

2 open jump rings, 6mm

clasp

#12 beading needles

Fireline to match/blend in, 6lb

Scissors or thread zapper

Pliers for jump rings

Important notes:

Paisley Duos have two holes and can be sewn in multiple ways, facing several directions:

- Through the big end or through the pointed tip.
- Through from the inner (concave) side or the outer (convex) side.
- Oriented facing left or right with the tip facing out from the center of a motif, or in towards the center of a motif.

GemDuos have a faceted side and a flat, bottom side. Always keep the faceted side facing up.

Pay close attention to the illustrations as you make this design for proper bead orientation.

FLOWER COMPONENT WITH 2 GEMDUOS: Make three. Adjust length using sections of Gem Duos.

TIP: It is helpful to lay out the Paisley Duos in position to help string them properly oriented.

FIGURE 1: On a 20-inch thread leaving a 5-inch tail, string an 11, two Paisley Duos through the concave tips and two Paisley Duos through the convex tips. Repeat once more. Tie a knot and sew through the 11 and three Paisley Duos, reverse direction and sew through the open outer hole of the Paisley Duo being exited.

FIGURE 2: String a GemDuo, sew through the next Paisley Duo. String an 11, sew through the next two Paisley Duos. String an 11 and sew through the next Paisley Duo. Repeat to add a second GemDuo and two more 11s. Sew through all beads again. Weave in ends and trim.

CONNECT COMPONENTS

FIGURE 3a: Line up two components with Gem Duo tips facing each other. Thread a needle on a new 12-inch piece of thread. Sew through one GemDuo leaving enough tail to tie in a knot later. String a Gem Duo and four 11s. Sew into the open hole of the GemDuo being exited. String the facing Gem duo from the second component. String a new Gem Duo and four 11s. Sew into the open hole of the new GemDuo being exited. Sew through the first tip Gem Duo so working thread meets the tail. Sew through the entire thread path again to secure, knot working thread to tail. Weave in ends and trim.

Repeat Figure 3a to connect components.

LENGTHEN WITH GEMDUOS

TIP: Use separate threads for each link to minimize thread showing on the sides of the GemDuos.

FIG 3b: Thread a needle on a new 12-inch piece of thread. Sew through the end GemDuo of the last flower component you just joined together. Leave enough tail to tie in a knot. String one GemDuo and four 11s—note the GemDuo orientation. Sew into the open hole of the GemDuo being exited. String a new Gem Duo—note the GemDuo orientation. String another new GemDuo and four 11s. Sew into the open hole of the GemDuo being exited so the working thread meets the tail. Sew through the entire thread path again, and knot the working thread and tail. Weave in all ends and trim.

Repeat linking GemDuos for HALF your needed length minus clasp allowance.

Repeat Figure 3b to add GemDuos on the other end component.

CLASP

FIGURE 3c: Use a new 10-inch piece of thread. Sew through the open hole of the last GemDuo, leaving enough tail to tie in a knot. String four 11s and a closed jump ring. Sew back through the last 11 strung. String three 11s. Sew through this entire thread path again to secure. Have the working thread meet the tail. Knot, weave in ends, and trim. Repeat at the other end of your bracelet.

Use the open jump rings to attach the clasp to one closed jump rings.

FIG 1

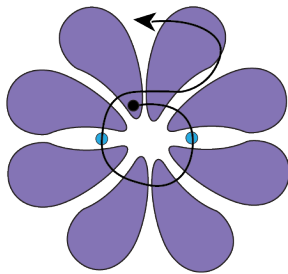


FIG 2

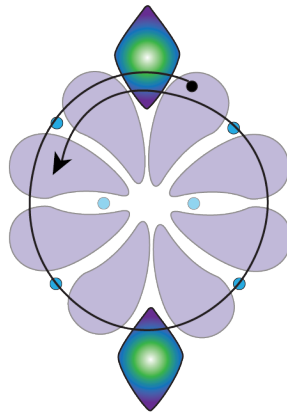


FIG 3a

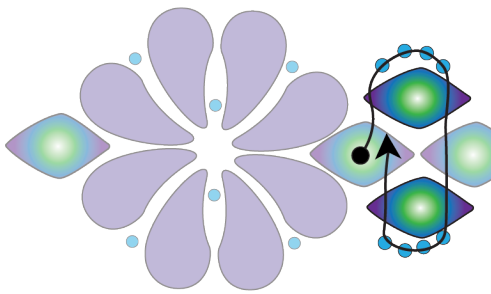


FIG 3b

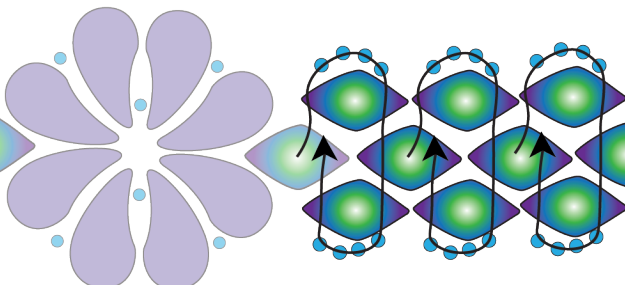


FIG 3c

