

Chenille Flower Bracelet

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Skill Level - Advanced Beginner

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Requirements

Beads

168 x Miyuki 11/0 Delica - (A)

168 x Miyuki 11/0 Delica - (B)

168 x Miyuki 11/0 Delica - (C)

168 x Miyuki 11/0 Delica - (D)

168 x Miyuki 11/0 Delica - (E)

168 x Miyuki 11/0 Delica - (F)

510 x Miyuki 15/0 Seed Beads

12 x Miyuki 11/0 Seed Beads

3 Strand Magnetic Clasp x 1

Tools & Other Required Items

Beading Needle - Size 12

Thread - S-Lon Fire 6lb / Fireline / KO / Miyuki

Scissors

Thread Burner

Videos

Scan the QR code to access the link to all of the videos for this project.



I was inspired to try flat chenille stitch after listening to another designer on how she liked to challenge convention and patterns by switching between delicas and rounds. The cross shape in one of the inspiration patterns reminded me of the way the additions of the 15/0 in chenille creates cross patterns in flat chenille.

This is a design your own adventure as well - have fun playing with the way you can create patterns within the design by changing colours. I have added notes onto the steps where you can change colours if you wish to do so.

I tested this with #10 and #12 needles, whilst #10 will work it is much easier to use a #12 as some of the spots get quite tight and I did not wish to break beads.

Stitches Used

Chenille - a composite stitch that was developed by Hungarian beader Diána Balogh in 2015.

Chenille stitch combines Peyote and Herringbone thread paths to create a delicate pattern that resembles a four-petal flower.

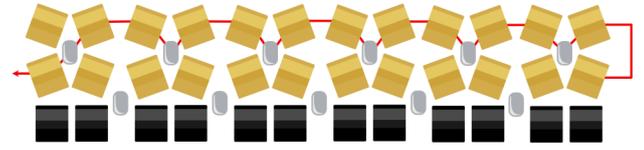
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Step Five

Pick up a single delica in the same colour as the one it will be sitting on top of, pass the needle through the 15/0 added in step four.

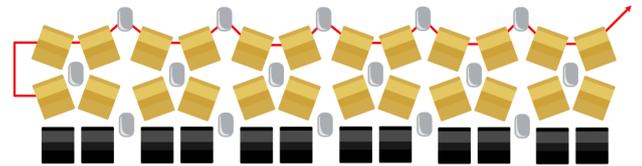
Pick up a pair delicas in the same colour as the pair they will be sitting on top of, pass the needle through the 15/0 added in step four. Repeat to add a total of 5 pairs.

To start the next row, you will need to pass the needle through the end delica in the row below.



Step Six

Pass the needle through the first pair of delicas, pick a 15/0 and pass through the next pair of delicas. Repeat to add a total of 5 15/0 beads.

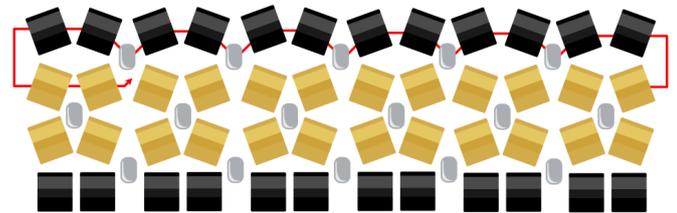


Step Seven

Change colours on this row to create a varied pattern

Pick up a pair of delicas, pass through the 15/0 added in step six, repeat to add a total of 5 pairs.

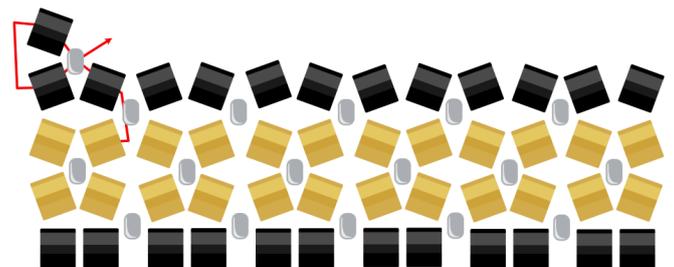
Pick up a final pair of delicas, pass the needle back through the first pair of delicas in the row below.



Step Eight

Pass the needle through the first delica in the pair above, pick up a 15/0 and pass the needle through the second delica in the pair.

Pick up a single delica in the same colour as the one it will be sitting on top of, pass the needle through the 15/0.



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Step Nine

Repeat steps four to eight until you are close to your desired length.

To finish repeat steps four to six. For the end of the sixth step, see the notes on finishing off the starter row below.

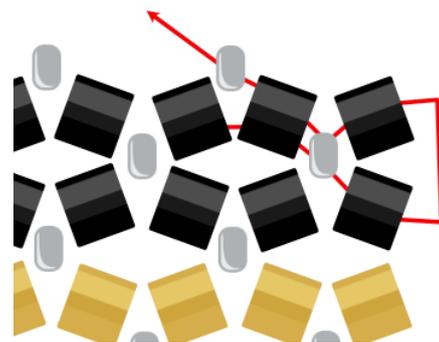
You are now ready to add the clasp to this end.

Finishing off the Starting Row

To finish off the start of the bracelet, thread a needle onto the tail thread and follow the instructions for steps three to six.

In step six, instead of exiting through the final delica in the row, you will need to execute a turn, pass the needle through the 15/0, through the delica in row two, turn and pass the needle back through the final delica in the first row.

Pass the needle back through the 15/0 the second delica in this row and the next 15/0.



You are now ready to add the clasp.

Adding the Clasp

Pick up 2 x 15/0 seed beads and 1 x 11/0 seed bead, pass the needle through the hole in the clasp, pick up 1 x 11/0 seed bead and 2 x 15/0 seed beads, pass through the second 15/0 in the final row of the bracelet.

Pick up 3 x 15/0 seed beads and 1 x 11/0 seed bead, pass the needle through the hole in the clasp, pick up 1 x 11/0 seed bead and 3 x 15/0 seed beads, pass through the fourth 15/0 in the final row of the bracelet.

Pick up 2 x 15/0 seed beads and 1 x 11/0 seed bead, pass the needle through the hole in the clasp, pick up 1 x 11/0 seed bead and 2 x 15/0 seed beads, pass through the final 15/0 in the final row of the bracelet.

Retrace the path 2-3 times to secure the clasp to the bracelet and tie off the thread.

(Large circles indicate the loops in the clasp)

