



Beginners Techniques

Neon Accent



Learn How To -
start and finish a thread with
calotte crimps
make parallel rows
use two-hole Twin Beads



Making the Necklace

1 Starting the Thread - Prepare the needle with 1m of double thread. Thread one seed bead onto one end of the thread (fig 1).



fig 1



fig 2

Hold the two ends together and tie a simple knot below the bead so it cannot slip off (fig 2). You have created a stopper for the calotte. Pass the needle through the hole between the two cups of a calotte and pull down to the stopper - make sure the inside of the cups face the ends of the thread (fig 3).



fig 3

2 Row One - Thread on 30A, 1E, 30A, 1D. Repeat twice. Thread on 30A, 1E, 30A.

3 Adding the Second Calotte - Pass the needle through the hole in the second calotte to emerge on the inside of the cups. Cut off the needle leaving two long ends.

Thread 1B onto one end of the thread and push it down inside the calotte.

Tie the two thread ends together with an overhand knot - this will force the single B bead up tight to the calotte (fig 4). Repeat the knot two or three times to make the B bead very secure.

Dab the knots inside both calotte crimps with a little nail polish or clear glue to seal. Close the cups of the calotte crimps together to conceal the seed bead stoppers and trim away the excess thread.

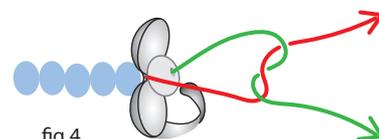
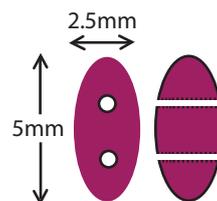


fig 4

Twin Beads have two parallel holes. It is important that you use the correct hole on each row or the work will twist.

As a rule, you need to pass through the hole that has not been previously used.



You Will Need

To Make a Necklace, Bracelet & Earrings

- 10g Chalk black size 10 seed beads RC708 (A)
- 10g Chalk black size 8 seed beads RC740 (B)
- 10g Chalk black size 6 seed beads RC746 (C)
- 2g Neon pink twin beads TW074 (D)
- 2g Neon lime twin beads TW076 (E)
- Six pairs of silver calotte crimps FN061
- Two silver lobster fastener FN024
- Silver extension chain FN184
- Three 7mm silver jump rings FN065
- Two 10mm silver jump rings FN146

You will also need white Nymo D thread, a beading needle and a pair of sharp scissors



4 Row Two - Repeat Step One.

Thread on 23B.

*Thread on 1E, pass through the second hole of the E from the previous row.

Thread on 1E, 22B, 1D. Pass through the previous D, thread on 1D.

Thread on 22B.

Repeat. from *.

Thread on 23B and attach a calotte crimp as in Step 3.

5 Row Three - Repeat Step One.

Thread on 18C.

**Pass the needle through the lower hole of the E bead from the previous row. Thread on 1E and pass through the lower hole of the following E bead.

Thread on 17C and repeat as before to add 1D bead between the 2D.

Thread on 17C. Repeat from **.

Attach a calotte crimp as in Step 3.

Use the large jump rings to bring all three strands together and attach the clasp to one end and the extension chain to the other.



Making the Bracelet

Similar to the necklace, the bracelet is assembled onto three calotte crimps at each end. However the central crimp holds two strands so the bracelet contains four strands in total.

6 Row One - Repeat Step One.

Thread on 15A, 1D, 14A, 1E, 14A, 1D, 14A, 1E, 14A, 1D and 15A. Finish the row with a calotte crimp as in Step 3.

7 Row Two - Repeat Step One.

Thread on 11B.

Thread on*1D, pass through the lower hole of the D bead on the previous row.

Thread on 1D, 9B, 1E, pass through the E bead on the previous row.

Thread on 1E, 9B. Repeat from * once.

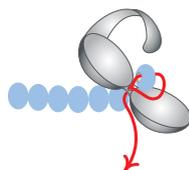
Thread on 1D, pass through the D bead from the previous row. Thread on 1D, 11B.

8 Turn the Needle - Pass the needle through the hole in a calotte to emerge on the inside of the cups.

Thread on 1A and pass the needle back through the hole in the calotte.

The A bead will pull up tight to the hole to anchor the thread (fig 4).

You can now thread Row Three in the opposite direction.



9 Row Three - Pass the needle through the last B bead of Row Two. back through the last B bead threaded. Thread on 10B.

*Pass the needle through the first D bead back along Row Two. Thread on 1D and pass through the next D bead along.

Thread on 9B.

Repeat from * along the row to add 9B between the Twin Bead sequences and either E or D beads as required

10 Row Four - Repeat Step One.

Thread on 15A and pass the needle through the D bead from the previous strand.

Thread on 14A and pass through the E bead from the previous strand.

Repeat adding 14A into each gap between the Twin beads.

Add 15A after the last D bead and finish with a calotte crimp.

Attach the calotte crimps to 6mm jump rings and a fastener.

If you are feeling a bit more ambitious why not try a pair of earrings too...



We used...

One pair of black fishhooks FN001

Two 5mm black jump rings FN064

and a few leftover beads

The four Twin beads at the top are Square stitched together with two size 6 seed beads.

The strands are supported on more single Square stitched size 6 seed beads with size 8 seed beads adding weight to the bottom of each strand.

A jump ring is slipped through the final size 6 seed bead at the top to attach the tassel to an earfitting.

