

BUBBLES AND WAVES

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SUPPLY LIST

- SuperDuos - Qty: 7 grams
- Size 11/0 seed beads - Qty: 5 grams
- Size 6/0 seed beads - Qty: 7 grams
- Size 8/0 seed beads - Qty: 2 grams
- 10mm bead - Qty: 1
- 8mm bead - Qty: 2
- 2 x 2 Crimp Tubes - Qty: 2
- Lobster Claw Clasp - Qty: 2
- Jump Rings - Qty: 8
- Fireline Beading Thread, 6lb
- Beading wire, 25 inches or desired length

TOOLS

- Beading needle, size 11 or 12
- Thread burner (optional) or scissors
- Crimping pliers
- Flush cutters
- Chain nose pliers

INTRODUCTION

In this tutorial we will show a fun way to turn your SuperDuos into a bubbles and waves jewelry collection! Endless color palettes are possible using the recipe above! On the last page we share the colors used in our samples.



WATCH THE VIDEO

There is a YouTube video walking you through this tutorial at:

<https://youtu.be/TJK431xWtDo>



This step-by-step tutorial is accompanied by a how-to video guide, showing all the steps to complete the necklace and bracelet.

MAKING BUBBLES

For this part of the tutorial, work with SuperDuos, 11/0 seed beads, and 6/0 seed beads to create a bubble setting for a 10mm or 8mm bead. The instructions are the same for both bead sizes, differing only in the counts.

For a 10mm bead, work with nine SuperDuos. For an 8mm bead, work with eight SuperDuos.

You'll need the Fireline beading thread at first, then the beading wire on the final step. You can pre-cut your beading wire or work right from the spool.

Step 1. 10mm Bubble

Start with 30 inches (76cm) of Fireline beading thread. Leaving a 5-inch tail, string (1)SuperDuo, and (1)11/0 seed bead, nine times.

Pass through all the beads again, meeting with the tail thread. Tie a double knot with the tail thread, then pass the needle through the first SuperDuo. Next, step up to exit from the top hole of the same SuperDuo. See Diagram 1.

Tip: Optional but helpful, at this step, you could also step up the tail through the top hole of the SuperDuo. It will exit from the same hole as the working thread, heading in the opposite direction. This can be used later to tie a knot.

Step 2. String a 6/0 seed bead and pass through the next SuperDuo, working in the outside holes of the SuperDuos.

Do this all the way around twice. On the second pass, continue through the next 6/0 bead. See Diagram 2.

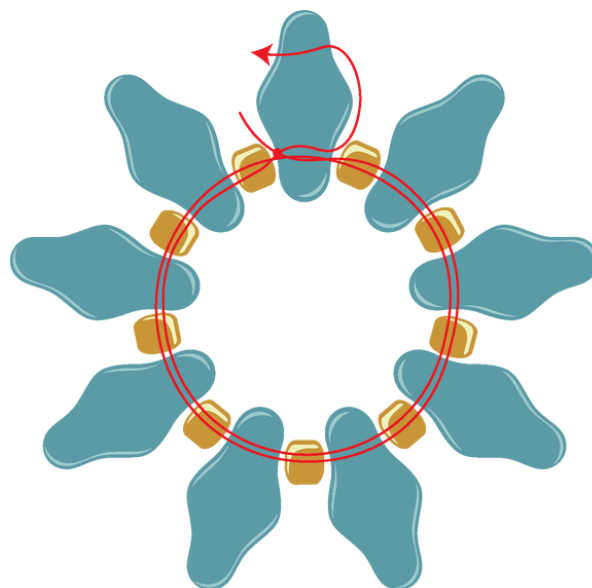


Diagram 1

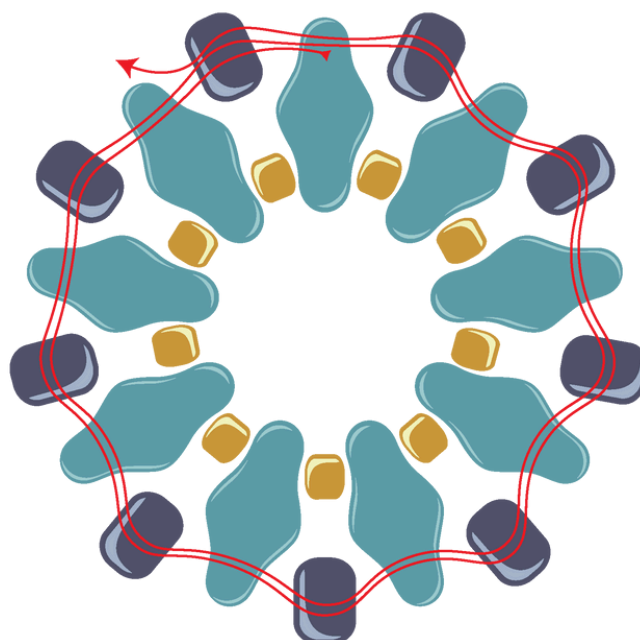


Diagram 2

Step 3. String a SuperDuo and pass through the next 6/0 bead. Do this all the way around. Pass through the first SuperDuo. See Diagram 3.

Step 4. Closing the Bubble

Step up to the top hole of the SuperDuo. String an 11/0 seed bead and go through the outside hole of the next SuperDuo, as shown in Diagram 4.

As you do this, the SuperDuo will start to close up. Before this gets too tight, work Step 5.

Step 5. Secure the bead inside

Working from the beading wire spool, insert beading wire in between the points of the SuperDuo, then string the 10mm bead.

Insert the beading wire back out of the bubble, passing in between two points of the SuperDuo on the opposing side. Leave the beading wire in place.

Working with the needle and thread again, pass through the SuperDuos and 11/0 beads several times, tightly closing the ring, securing the bead inside.

Once you have achieved the tightness of the ring, weave down to meet the tail left at Step 1 and tie a double knot. Weave the thread through another bead and trim (Diagram 5).

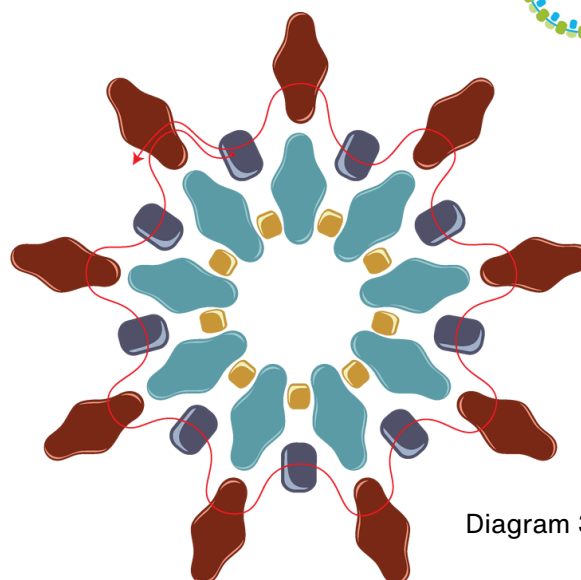


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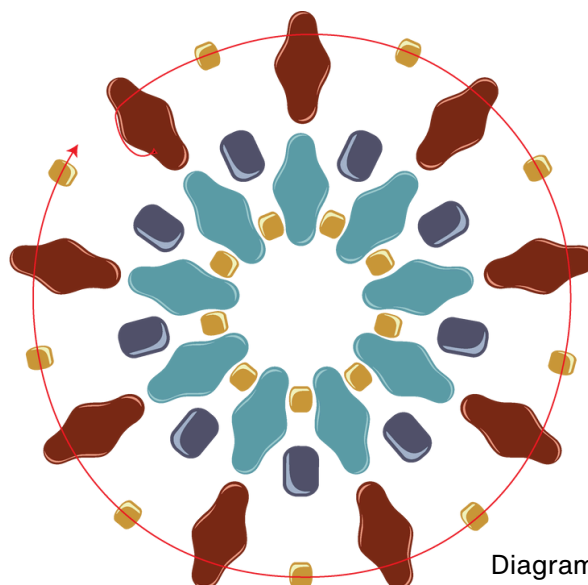


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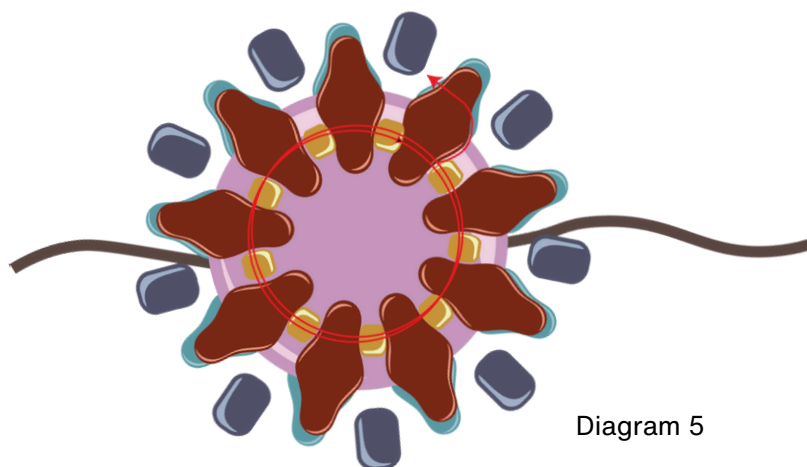


Diagram 5

Step 6. Creating more bubbles

For the three-bubble necklace design, repeat Steps 1 through 5, working with the 8mm size bead and eight SuperDuos - make two of these Bubbles.

When you reach Step 5, use the beading wire that currently holds your 10mm bubble.

Before stringing the 8mm bubble on each side, you can add (1) 8/0 seed bead for nice spacing between them.



Step 7. Final assembly

Center the three bubbles on the beading wire. If still working from the spool, cut free from the spool, leaving a little extra length to make forming your crimps easier.

String repeats of (1)8/0, (1)6/0, (1)8/0, and (1)11/0 up the chain to your desired length on each side.

String a 2x2 crimp tube and a jump ring on each end. Feed the beading wire back through the crimp tube. Form the crimps using crimping pliers and trim the excess beading wire. **You've finished your necklace!**



WAVES BRACELET

To make the waves bracelet, gather 11/0, 6/0, and SuperDuos. Cut 70 inches (178 cm) of Fireline beading thread and your size 11 or 12 beading needle.

Step 1. String to the desired length

String a SuperDuo and (4 or 6) 11/0 beads. Pass through the second hole of the SuperDuo.

String an 11/0 and a SuperDuo seven times. String a 6/0 and a SuperDuo seven times. Repeat to the desired length, then end with a loop of (4 to 6) 11/0 seed beads and pass through the top hole of the last SuperDuo. See Diagram 6.

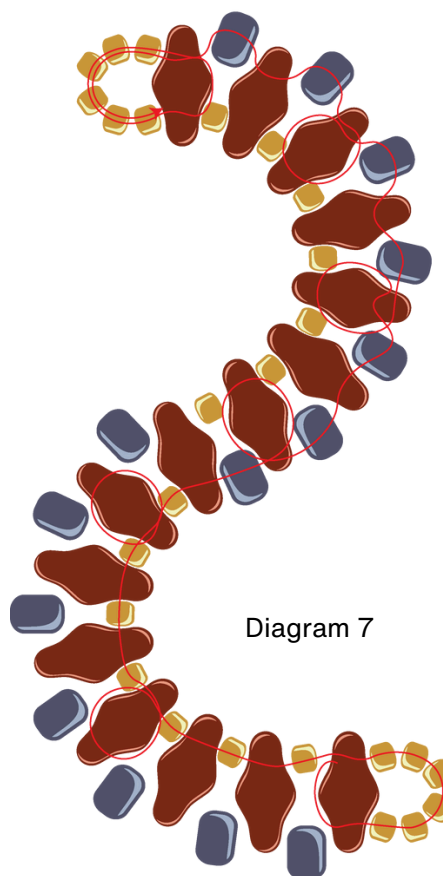
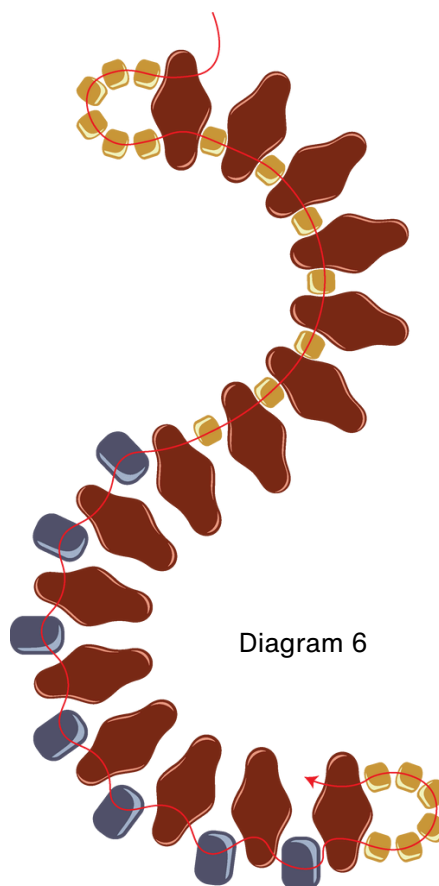
Tip: The sample bracelet has four repeats and is 6 inches (15cm) before the clasp. Each repeat of the above section, when made into the wave, will measure 1.5 inches (3.8cm).

Step 2. Make waves

Loop through the second hole again and reinforce the loop of seed beads at least once, maybe twice more.

Working back up through the open holes of the SuperDuos, string the opposite bead to the one present on its opposite side, e.g., if there is a 6/0, then string an 11/0.

Every two to three beads, make a turn and loop around a SuperDuo. This is done to keep the beads tight as you work. You will find that it feels like you need one of these “lock turns” every two to three beads or so. See Diagram 7.



Step 3. Reinforce the starting side

After adding the last seed bead, reinforce the loop of 11/0 beads several times.

You can use the tail thread to tie a double knot on this side. Weave through a few more beads and trim the remaining thread.

Step 4. Add a clasp using jump rings

Using jump rings, secure a clasp to the starting and ending sides of the bracelet.



COLOR PALETTE 1

- SuperDuo, Crystal Magic Red / Brown
- Size 11/0 Seed Beads, 11-0245 Inside Color-Lined Rainbow Jonquil Jet Lined
- Size 6/0 Seed Beads, 6-0301, Dark Topaz Rainbow Gold Luster
- Size 8/0 Seed Beads, 8-1703, Gilded Marble Turquoise
- 10mm and 8mm Glass Pearl Druk Beads



COLOR PALETTE 2

- SuperDuos Matte Opal Violet, Bondeli Matte Purple, and Matte Opal Blue
- Size 11/0 Seed Beads, 11-P0026 PermaFinish Silver-Lined Purple
- Size 6/0 Seed Beads, 6-0222A, Violet-Lined Crystal and 6-0399H, Amethyst-Lined Montana Blue
- Size 8/0 Seed Beads, 8-0046, Opaque Oxblood
- 10mm and 8mm Miyuki Cotton Pearls, Lavender



COLOR PALETTE 3

- SuperDuos Bondeli Matte Soft Pink
- Size 11/0 Seed Beads, 11-0761, Matte Opaque White AB
- Size 6/0 Seed Beads, 6-1233, Matte Mustard
- 10mm and 8mm Glass Pearl Druk Beads





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