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Please: Read all instructions before you begin!

Description: Reversible, flat necklace or bracelet utilizing seed stitch and beads.

Measurements, Necklace: 5/8" x 24" when closed, but can be made longer or shorter as desired.

Measurements, Bracelet: 5/8" x 6 3/4" when closed, but can be made longer or shorter as desired.



Yarn: Royale Metallic Crochet Thread #10, color shown is 0090G Gold/Gold.

I suggest using TWO STRANDS of a 100% mercerized cotton fashion crochet thread in a number 10 size. This will give the piece nice body, without being bulky. You could probably use a #3 crochet thread or even a yarn, but your dimensions will vary if you do so.

Needles: US 3, double pointed needles (need 3 needles)

Gauge: 4 stitches equal 5/8" in seed stitch (K1, P1) with US 3 needles and TWO strands of #10 crochet thread

Other Supplies:

- Size #6 golden brown or other color seed beads, total used is approximately 60 beads for a 24" necklace and 18 beads for a 6 3/4" bracelet
- Small magnetic clasp, 5mm x 11 mm (Darcie Item # 1968-47 available at JoAnn Fabric stores) These are small but very strong!
- Beading needle, nylon thread, tapestry needle.

Stitches used:

K - Knit
P - Purl
CO - CO

Stringing beads

Use a beading needle to string the beads for your necklace or bracelet onto two strands of #10 crochet thread. d (String a few extras as – that way you'll have them strung in case you decide to make your project a bit longer.)

Cast on Row: CO8 stitches. Then, divide the stitches between TWO double pointed needles (4 on each needle). You will leave the stitches positioned this way on the two needles – doing so allows the work to proceed in a flat fashion, rather than as a round, tube shape.

Round 1 : Repeat (K1, P1) until the end of the round.

Round 2 : Repeat (P1, K1) until the end of the round. (Seed stitch pattern)

Round 3: Repeat Round 1

Round 4: Repeat Round 2

Round 5: Repeat Round 1

Round 6: Repeat Round 2

Round 7: Repeat Round 1

Round 8: * (P1, K1), slide a bead to the front of work , (P1, K1); repeat from * once for the remaining 4 stitches.

Repeat Rounds 1-8 until the piece is the desired length. You should have a 29-30 repetitions for a 24" necklace and 8-9 repetitions for a 6 ¾" bracelet. Bind off.

Finishing

Weave in ends and sew in the magnetic clasps as either end. Block by placing the piece on a towel – steam and press gently to get the desired length and thickness. You may want to place some heavy objects on the piece as it dries.