

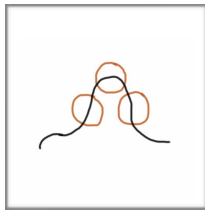
Tulip Needles Bead Bangle

Designed by Carol Cypher to introduce
Tulip Co. beading needles



Materials: approx. 300 size 8/0 seed beads, fireline 8/10# 2 yds and another 4'

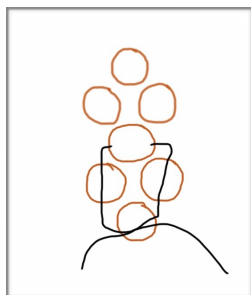
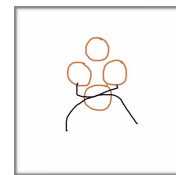
Have on hand: 2 Tulip beading needles, scissors (optional 44 or so magatamas or 4mm bicone crystals.



To begin:

Place a needle on each end of 2 yds of fireline. String 3 beads and center them on the thread. (Tip: pin center bead to bead mat.)

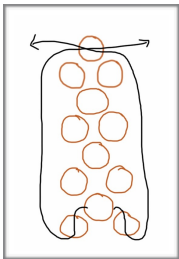
To complete a unit of cross-needle weave a.k.a. two needle right angle weave: Add another bead by crossing the two needles in it. Pulling the needles in opposite directions, places the new bead close to the others.



To add each new unit of c.n.w. (r.a.w.): Pick up one bead with each needle. Now, cross the needles in a third bead. Pulling the needles in opposite directions, places the new beads close to the others.



Continue the previous step, adding units until the length reaches around the widest part of hand or, usually, 1" longer than wrist measurement. **Mine fits most wrists and is 43 units long** (*count the edge beads on one edge*).



Connect the two ends into an endless bangle: Pick up one bead with each needle. Cross the two needles in the farthest bead (middle of the first three). (**Mine ends up being 44 units around.**)

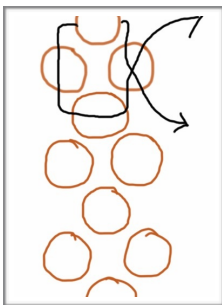
Double the width of the beadwork by adding another row.

Righties: To the beads along the right edge, you will add a second row.

Lefties: To the beads along the left edge, you will add a second row. *Turn the illustration upside down.*

To begin, both needles must cross in an edge bead:

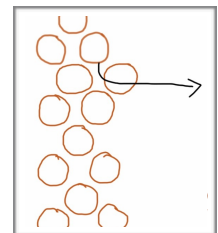
Righties: Pass the right-hand needle down through one right-edge bead. Pass the left-hand needle down through a left-edge bead, across a middle bead and up



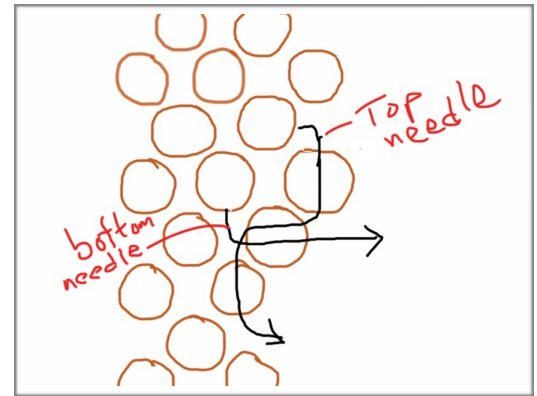
through that same right-edge bead.

Lefties: Pass the left-hand needle down through one left-edge bead. Pass the right-hand needle down through a right-edge bead, across a middle bead and up through the same left-edge bead.

Now you're ready to add a row: With the bottom needle, string 1 bead and push it close to the beadwork.

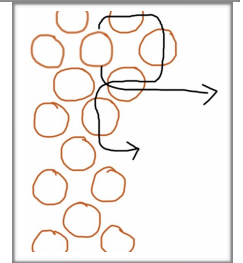


With top needle, add two beads. Then pass the top needle back through the bead added on the bottom needle, crossing the thread in the bead. Continue to pass the top needle down through the next bead along the edge of row one. This is the last time two beads will be added to a needle. Hereafter only one bead per needle.



Pick up one bead with bottom needle and push it close to the work.

Pick up one bead with the top needle and cross through the bottom-needle's bead and continue to pass through the next edge bead.



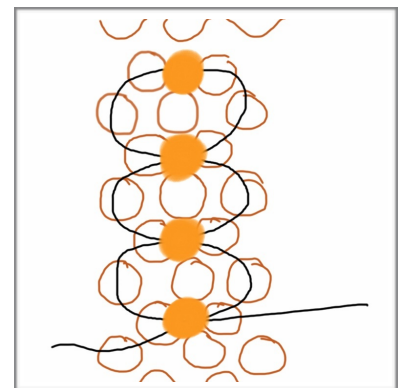
When the row is completed, you'll add one bead to the top needle only. Then cross it through the first bead added in this row.

Weave the threads securely into the beadwork before cutting it carefully and close.

Now it is time to decide which bead to use for the third row: more of the same seed bead as pictured, or 4mm magatama or 4mm bicone crystal as seen in Youtube video of this project. Channel: Carol Cypher with Tulip Beading Needles.

Place both needles on the remaining meter of thread. You will connect the outer edges of the beadwork, curling the flat beadwork into solid tube, as follows:

Pick up a bead. Center it on the thread. *Pass the left-hand needle down (or up) a bead of the left-edge and the right-hand needle down (or up) a bead of the right-edge. Cross the needles in a new bead. Repeat from * over and over until you meet the first bead added in this step. Cross the needles in it.



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I hope you wear your bracelet in joy and beauty. Realize all your friends will want one. It isn't unusual for me to wear several at a time!

Oh, and, if the embellished ones tickle your fancy: Place a seed bead, drop or magatama between edge beads in 1, 2 or all 3 rounds.

If beading with Tulip Co beading needles delighted you, as it does me, ask your bead store to carry them. They should call me (the Tulip Beading Needle distributor) at 845-384-6417 to place their order.

Thank you for beading with me. Subscribe to my channel so we can bead together regularly.

Want a Tulip cellulose-head pin? Send a self-addressed and stamped envelope to:

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