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Techniques: basic bead weaving knowledge

Finished size: approx. 15X12mm

Materials: to make one Little Cali Beaded Bead

- S15 (25) 15/0 Japanese seed beads silver lined amethyst matte
- S8 (10) 8/0 Czech seed beads turquoise opaque matte

C (10) Czech Cali beads white opaque

Beading Thread - Beadalon WildFire thread 10lb or equivalent

Beading needles – I used size 11 and size 12 Pony beading needles

Beading mat and scissors or a thread burner

The *Little Cali Beaded Bead* is quick and easy to make. The color combinations are endless. Make up a batch today!! String them on a chain or a strand of leather with metal spacer beads for a great looking necklace!!

<u>Tips:</u> • Cull all the beads before you begin.

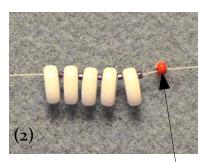
- Use a snug firm beading tension.
- Double or triple stitch each row.
- Switch to a size 12 beading needle when necessary to avoid breaking beads.
- Use a few slip knots when you weave the remaining thread into the bead work.

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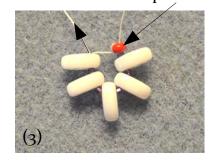
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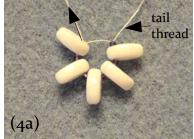
- 1. Thread a size 11 beading needle with 3-4 feet of prepared beading thread. Add a stop bead or use a bead stopper to prevent your beads from slipping off the thread (2). Leave a 6 inch tail thread.
- **2.** Pick up $(1 C + 1 S_{15}) \times 5$. Push all the beads down the thread to the stop bead (2).
- 3. Sew through all the beads on the thread twice (3). Thread exits a C bead.

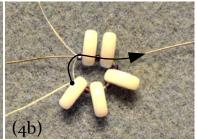


stop bead

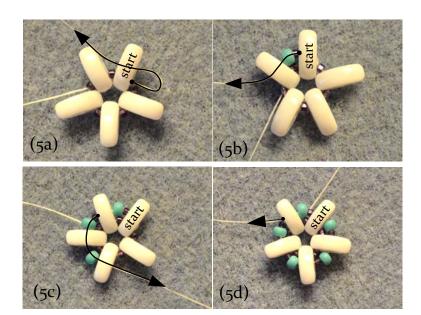


4. Remove the stop bead (4a). Sew through $(1 S_{15} + 1 C) \times 2 (4b)$. Thread exits a C bead.





5. Sew through the **middle** hole of the C bead just exited (5a). Pick up 1 S15 + 1 S8 . Sew through the middle hole of the next C bead in the row (5b). Continue adding S15 + S8 beads between the C beads (5c), until you reach the S15 + S8 you started with. Sew past the first C bead you started with to overlap the thread (5d). Thread exits the middle hole of the C bead after the start C bead .

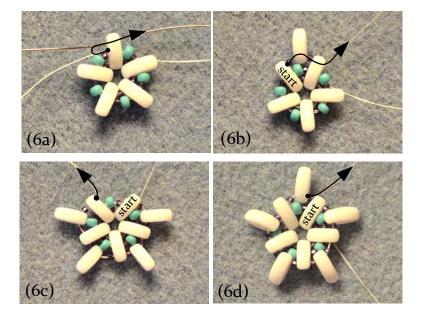


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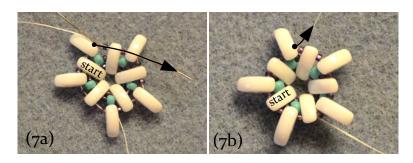
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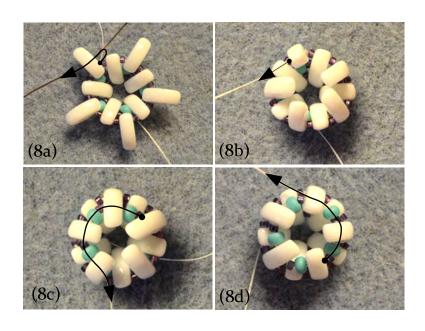
6. Sew through the **top** hole of the C bead just exited (6a). Pick up 1 S15 + 1 C + 1 S15. Sew through the top hole of the next C bead in the row (6b). Continue adding 1 S15 + 1 C + 1 S15 between the existing C beads until you reach the first new C bead added. Sew through the first C bead added in this row (6c and 6d). Thread exits the C bead.



7. Sew through all the beads again to overlap the thread and sew past the C bead you started with (7a). Thread exits a C bead on the outer edge (7b).



8. Sew through the **middle** hole of the C bead just exited (8a). Fold the C beads toward the center of the beaded bead (8b). Pick up 1 S15 + 1 S8. Sew through the next C bead in the row. Continue adding 1 S15 + 1 S8 between each of the C beads (8c and 8d). Sew through 1 S15 + 1 S8 + 1 C past the C bead you started the row with. Thread exits the C bead.

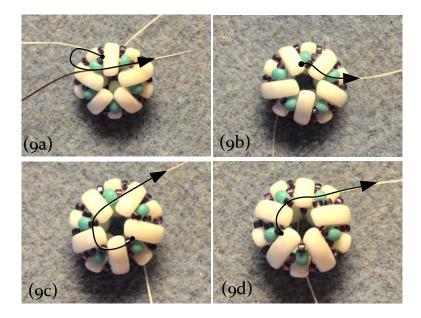


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9. Sew through the **top** (outer) hole of the C bead just exited (9a). Pick up 1 S15. Sew through the next C bead in the row (9b). Continue adding 1 S15 bead between each of the C beads (9c). Sew through the C bead you started the row with + 1 S15 + 1 C (9d). Thread exits a C bead.



10. Weave the working thread and tail thread into the bead work. Trim any excess.



That's it. You're done!!

I hope you enjoyed making the Little Cali Beaded Bead.