Crystal Tweed Herringbone

What You'll Need

Czech Seed Bead 3-Pack, SKU 10699520

18K Gold Plated Toggle Clasp, SKU 10697690
18K Gold Plated Wire Guardians, SKU 10697674
18K Gold Plated Jump Rings 5mm, SKU 10697675
18K Gold Plated Head Pin, SKU 10697406

Wildfire Beading Thread, .006 Frost, SKU 10104818
Size #10 Beading Needle, SKU 10332394

Wire Working Tools:
Chain Nose Pliers SKU D571873S,
Bent Nose Pliers SKU D571874S,
Flush Cutters SKU D571872S,
Flat Nose Pliers SKU D571875S,
Round Nose Pliers SKU D571876S

Beading Mat, SKU 10348546

Precision Scissors, SKU 10591717

Intermediate Beadweaving
1 Hour Class

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Happy October 2022! This Fall, we are headed back to campus with a whole new palette of seed beads and fresh, new findings!

Professor Light's Crystal Tweed Herringbone Bracelet will introduce two, intermediate additions to herringbone stitch. We will add accent beads within the stitch and work with different sizes to make this bracelet have the texture of a worn fabric.

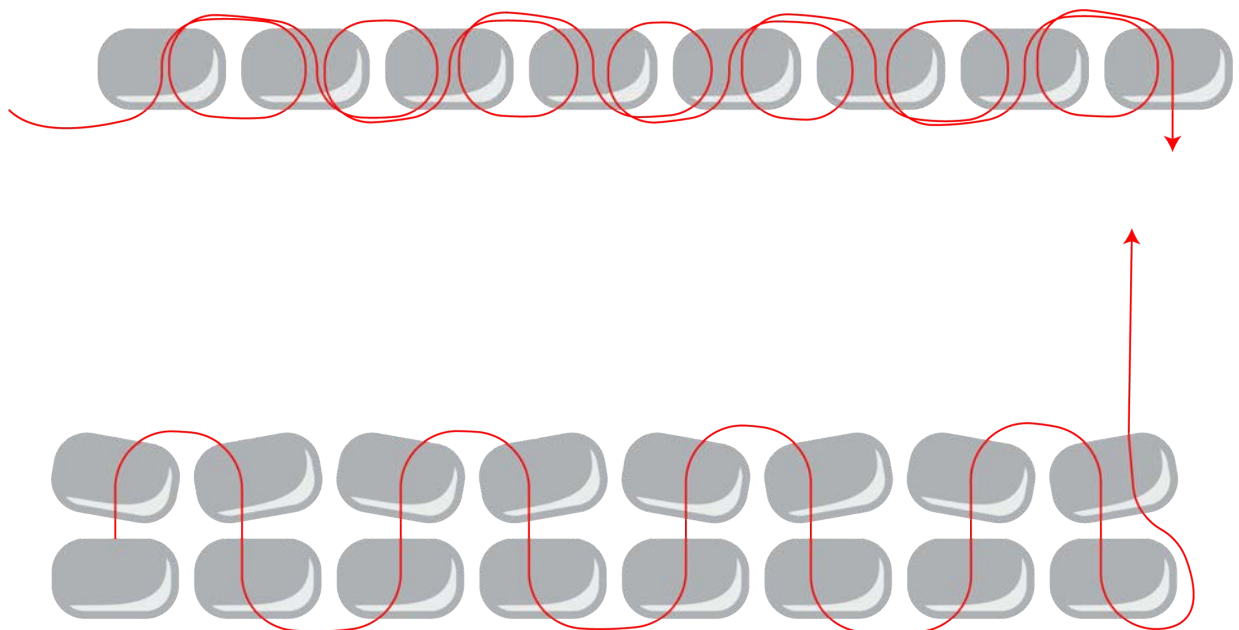Abbreviations
S8 - Size 8/0 Seed Bead, Crystal
S10 - Size 10/0 Czech Seed Bead, Copper Lined Grey
S6 - Size 6/0 Czech Seed Bead, Copper Lined Crystal
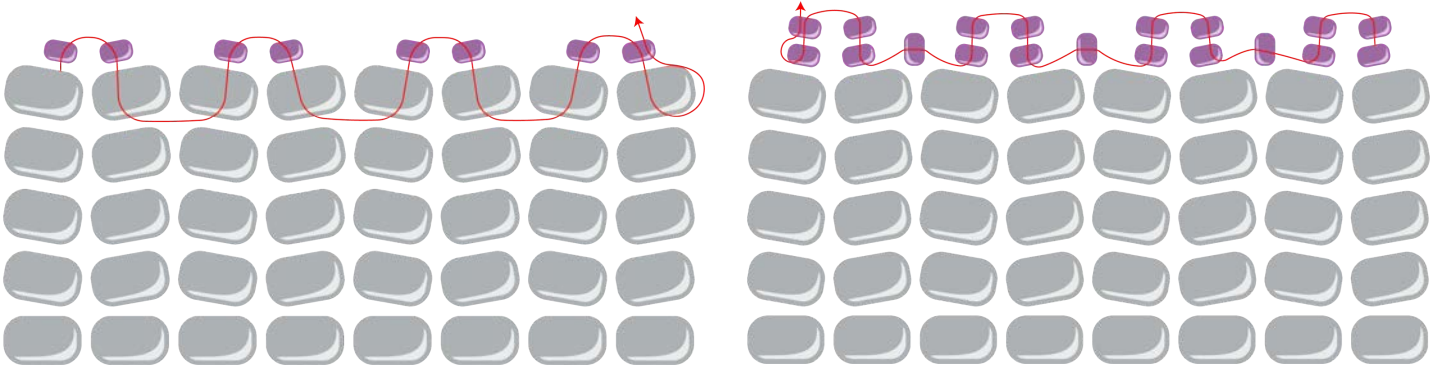
Step 1
To begin, cut about 90 inches of beading thread. Leaving a 12" tail, ladder stitch (8)S8, then create four rows of normal herringbone stitch with S8.

Step up from each row through the bead last added above. Thread will show on the side of the Crystal S8s.
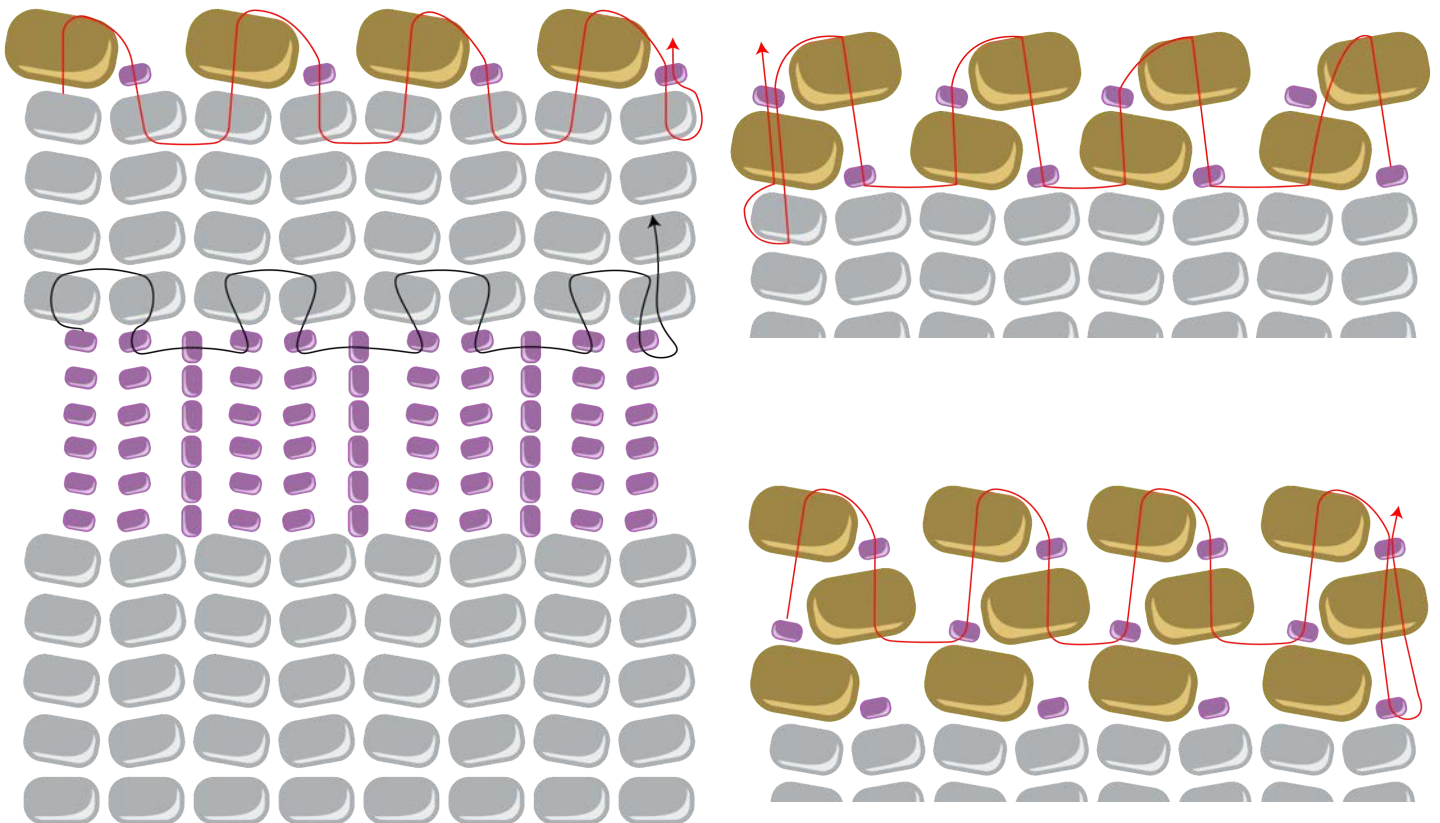
Step 2

For this next section, stitch 1 row of herrigbone with S10. Then, create four more rows of herringbone with S10, but in between each column, add (1)S10. Repeat for a total of 6 rows of S10.
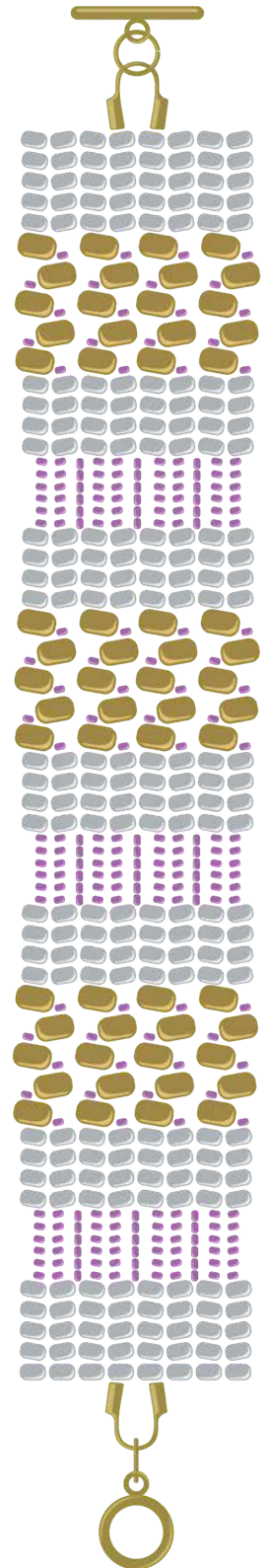
Step 3

Switch to using S8 and create a row including (1)S10 in each column. Create four or five more rows using just S8. After that, create herringbone rows with S6 and S10. Make your first step up from the S8 below to better hide the thread. Create a total of 5 rows. On the last three, manuever your step ups to hide the thread against an S10.

Step 4

Create as many sections as desired, but try to end with a section of S8 (not required). Finish with wire guardians exiting from the center (2)S8. Use 5mm jump rings to attach a toggle clasp.

Optional: embellish 2 head pins with seed beads and form wrapped loops. Dangle from the bottom wire guardian using a 5mm jump ring.

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