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John Bead
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Let's Make SuperDuo Ropes!

Featuring Design Tutorial by Nela Kabelova

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The featured design has been adapted from the original project and tutorial by Nela Kabelova, as seen on www.matubobeads.com

You can find the original tutorial here:

<https://www.matubobeads.com/inspiration/tube-2/>

You can follow Nela's work here: www.gjanelle.beadforum.cz

This tutorial has a Video guide available on

<https://www.youtube.com/user/JohnBeadCorp>

John Bead Parts Lists

Palette 1 - SuperDuo Rope Necklace

Colors A and B - Silk Blue Opal, 27888170-276V

Color C - Turquoise Blue Celsius, 27888170-277V

Color D - Limon / Capri Gold, 27888170-309V

Color E - Hyacinth Bronze Iced Lined, 27888170-315V

Palette 2 - SuperDuo Bracelet

Color A - Jet Full Capri Gold, 27888170-210V

Color B - Opaque Chocolate, 27888170-183V

Color C - Turquoise Green Stardust, 27888170-283V

Color D - Pearl Shine White, 27888170-132V

Color E - Pearl Shine Autumn Leaf, 27888170-138V

You can browse John Bead Extensive Selection of SuperDuo Colors here:

<https://johnbead.com/shop/matubo-seed-bead-2hole-beads>

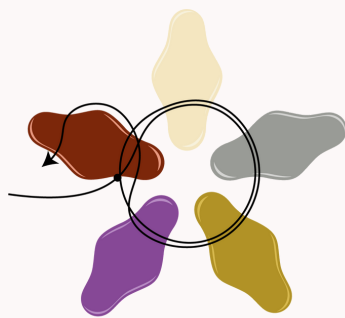


Step 1

Working with five colors, lay out Colors A - E in order on your beading mat. Cut an arm span of beading thread, or about 70 inches.

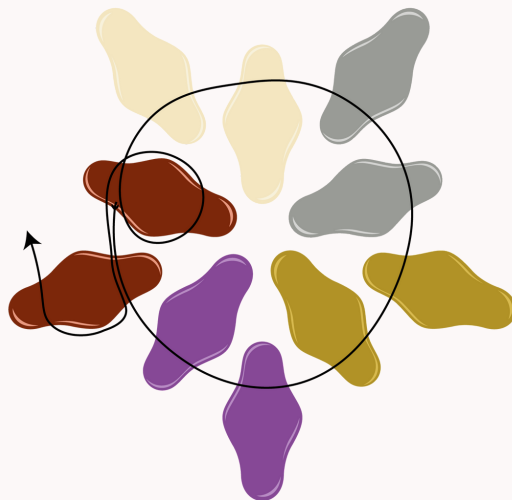
Leaving a 15-inch tail, string one of each color A - E. Tie a double knot with the thread, then go around through all the beads once more. Step-up through the first bead.

Tip: Try to do your step-ups on the bead with the color that matches your thread closest.



Step 2

String a SuperDuo in the color your thread is exiting. Go through the outside hole of the next SuperDuo. Repeat this around, adding the color SuperDuo your thread is exiting from. Make a “locking-in” turn around through the inside hole after passing through the starting SuperDuo. Continue through the first SuperDuo added in this step. Step-up through the outside hole of that SuperDuo. Use tight tension and the beads will form a dome.



Step 3

Repeat Step 2, but this time add the color SuperDuo you're going into. Because of the step-up, the direction of rotation will work back and forth with each round. To keep the spiral moving in one direction, you'll need to reverse the order every round.

Step 4

When you need to add thread, leave the old working thread in place. Weave in a new strand, using locking turns, then exit from any of the SuperDuos in the ring where you left off. Exit from the outside hole. Complete two or three new rounds, then weave the old working thread up into the new rounds and trim.

Step 5

To finish your last row, step-up through the outside hole of a SuperDuo. Stitch in a ring through the next SuperDuos, all the way around twice or even three times to make them closer together. From here, you can weave in, or see Step 6 for a method to add a clasp.

Step 6

With your thread exiting from the end (outside hole) of a SuperDuo, string (4) Size 11/0 Seed Beads. Go through the hole of an opposing SuperDuo in the ring and stitch through it, heading through the holes reinforcing in a figure 8 pattern. Weave in and trim thread. Repeat this step using the tail thread on the starting side. Attach the clasp with jump rings, or you can use beading wire and add beads for a unique extension on your design.

