



MAMAKU SWIRL PENDANT

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Paisley Duos swirl all the way around this pendant thanks to the MAMAKU Cymbal™ endings!

Skill level: Beginner and up

Techniques: Stitching with 2-hole beads, opening/closing jump rings

Finished size: Pendant is 1¾" in diameter

MATERIALS

39 size 15° seed beads

6 SuperDuos

6 GemDuos

10 Paisley Duos

2 MAMAKU Cymbal™ bead ends

4 size 5mm jump rings

16-20 inches of decorative chain

Clasp of choice

6lb. Fireline™

Size 11 beading needle

Scissors/Pliers/Wire cutters

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TIPS

- Paisley Duos have both concave and convex curves. Refer to the diagrams for thread direction.
- Check all holes of any multi-hole beads to make sure the holes are clear before stitching.
- Be careful not to skip beads or split threads when making a second thread pass.

FIGURE 1

Step 1. String two SuperDuos and a 15° three times on a 28-inch length of thread. Sew through all the beads again to form a circle leaving a three-inch tail (to weave in later). Tie working and tail thread into a knot. Sew away from the knot through a SuperDuo, reverse direction and step up through the open hole the same SuperDuo.

FIGURE 2

Step 2. String a 15°, GemDuo and 15° and sew through the next SuperDuo. String just a GemDuo and sew through the next SuperDuo.

Step 3. Repeat Step 2 two more times. Sew through all the beads again and exit the first GemDuo added. Reverse direction and sew through the open hole of the same GemDuo.

FIGURE 3

Step 4. String a 15°, two Paisley Duo through their convex tip holes and a 15°. Sew through the next GemDuo.

Step 5. String a 15°, a MAMAKU ending (convex tip hole), a Paisley (convex tip hole) and a 15°. Sew through the next GemDuo.

Step 6. Repeat Step 4 three more times.

Step 7. String a 15°, a Paisley (convex tip hole), a MAMAKU (convex tip hole) and a 15°. Sew through the next GemDuo.

Step 8. Sew through all the beads added in Figure 3 and exit the first Paisley. Reverse direction and sew out through the concave wide end of the Paisley.

FIGURE 4

Step 9. String a 15° and sew back through the Paisley. String a 15° and sew through the next Paisley.

Step 10. String a 15° and sew back through the same hole in the Paisley. Sew out through the bottom hole of the same Paisley. Continue sewing through the next 15°, GemDuo, 15° and Paisley/MAMAKU.

Step 11. Repeat Steps 9 and 10 on each remaining pair of Paisley/MAMAKU sets. Weave thread into beadwork, secure and trim excess. Weave in tail and trim excess.

Step 12. Cut two equal lengths of chain.

Step 13. With a jump ring, attach one end of the chain into a MAMAKU loop. With a second jump ring, attach half of the clasp to the other end of the chain.

Step 14. Repeat Step 13 on other side of the pendant.

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Note: Second thread passes are not shown in illustrations for clarity.

FIGURE 1

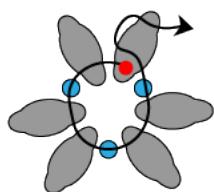


FIGURE 2

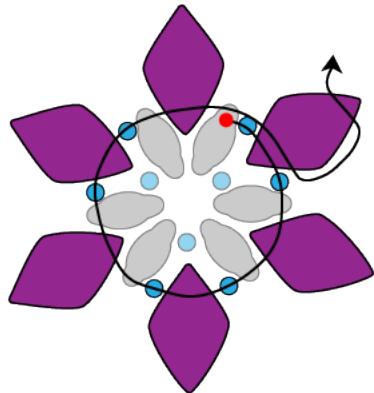


FIGURE 3

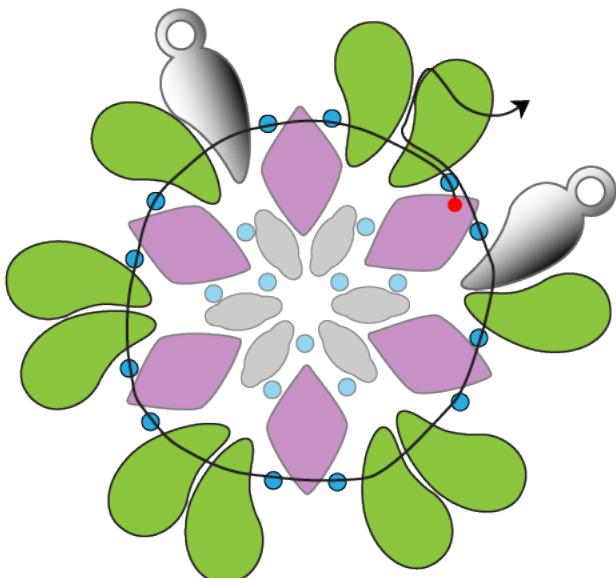
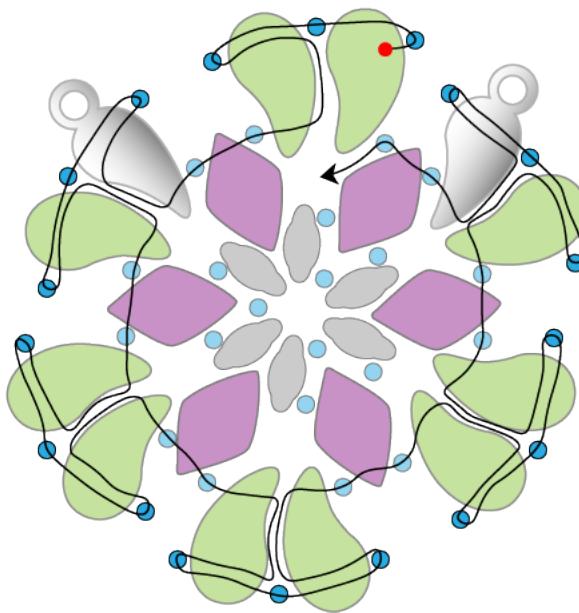


FIGURE 4



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