

Shrimps on the Barbie by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 7.5 inches

Beads and other products needed for one bracelet:

- 4 grams - Size 8 Silver Lined Transparent Opal Aqua Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB1090) (A)
- 4 grams - Size 8 Silver Lined Opal Pale Mint Green Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB1122) (B)
- 4 grams - Size 8 Silver Lined Transparent Opal Cinnamon Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB1087) (C)
- 4 grams - Size 8 Gold Lined Opal Dark Peach Rose Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB0807) (D)
- 1 - 4x27mm 4 Strand Sterling Silver Tube Bar Clasp (SS3416)
- 1 - Crystal Clear FireLine Braided Bead Thread .008 diameter, 6 lb/Size D (SM4429)

Tools needed to complete the bracelet:

- Scissors
- Size 10 English Beading Needles (TL1646)
- Perfect End Thread Burner (TL1006)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelet:

- Basic Herringbone Stitch
- Using a Perfect End Thread Burner

For step-by-step photos and instructions on these and other techniques, visit FusionBeads.com and select Beading Techniques from the top navigation bar.

Instructions to complete “Shrimps on the Barbie” bracelet:

Tip

The letters A, B, C and D are used to designate the beads used in the pattern. Please refer to the materials list above for the key.

Step 1

Thread a needle with approximately 5 feet of beading thread. Stitch a ladder using the following beads (see Basic Herringbone Stitch Technique):

- 2 – A
- 2 – B
- 2 – C
- 2 – D

Step 2

Work the following pattern in herringbone stitch (since each row reverses direction as it is stitched, the pattern in each row is given in the sequence stitched, not as it appears in the bracelet):

Row 2:

- 2 – A
- 2 – D
- 2 – C
- 2 – B

Row 3:

- 2 – C
- 2 – D
- 2 – A
- 2 – B

Row 4:

- 2 – C
- 2 – B
- 2 – A
- 2 – D

Row 5:

- 2 – A
- 2 – B
- 2 – C
- 2 – D

Repeat the pattern (rows 2 – 5) until the bracelet reaches the desired length.

Step 3

Exit the first bead on the end row. String the first loop on one side of the 4 strand tube bar clasp, and pass down through the second bead in the row. Pass back up through the same loop, and reinforce several times. Exit from the third bead on the end row.

Step 4

In the same manner as in Step 3, attach each of the remaining loops on the clasp to each pair of beads in the end row. Weave back and forth through a few rows, and use the Perfect End Thread Burner (see Using a Thread Burner Technique) to burn the end of the thread.

Step 5

Repeat Steps 3 – 4 on the other end of the bracelet.

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