

Life's a Beach by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 9 inches

Beads and other products needed for one bracelet:

- 2 - Size 8 Beachy Round Japanese Seed Bead Mix by FusionBeads.com® (SB3990)
- 1 - Sea Green Pearl Cotton Thread #8 (SM3703)

Tools needed to complete the bracelet:

- Scissors
- Tulip Tapestry Needle Set (TL2650)
- Sucre Bead Crochet Hook No. 0, 1.75mm (TL2846)
- Medium Griffin Soft Wire Twisted Needles (TL1017)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelet:

- Crocheted Rope
- Crocheted Rope – Invisible Join

Instructions to complete “Life’s a Beach” bracelet:

Step 1

With the pearl cotton thread still on the spool, thread the end onto a twisted wire needle (see Crocheted Rope Technique, Steps 1 – 2). Use the needle to string about five feet of size 8 seed beads randomly from the mix to make a 9-inch bangle bracelet. (For a longer bracelet, string about 60 beads per inch of length needed. String more beads than you think you will need, as you will not be able to add more beads later.) After you finish stringing all the beads, do not cut the thread. You will continue to use thread from the spool as you crochet.

Step 2

Leaving a 12-inch tail, make a slip knot in the thread, and place the loop onto a 1.75mm crochet hook. Tighten the loop.

Step 3

Crochet a six-bead chain (Steps 5 – 14 of the Technique). Connect the chain into a ring (Steps 15 – 17 of the Technique).

Step 4

Following the Technique, crochet a rope until it reaches the desired length.

Step 5

Thread a small tapestry needle onto the beginning yarn tail. Join the beginning and end of the rope (see Crocheted Rope – Invisible Join Technique).

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