



Join this creative collaboration with Beadalon and John Bead to learn how to make a seed bead bracelet using the Jewel Loom from start to finish.

SUPPLIES:

- Size 8/0 John Bead Czech Glass Seed Beads, Apricot Mix
- B-Lon Tex 20 Nylon Cord
- Wildfire Beading Thread, .006, Black

TOOLS:

- Jewel Loom
- Jewel Loom Beading Needle,
- Scissors
- Wildfire Cord Cutter

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1 – Setting up the Loom

Set up the loom by placing the tension bar into each hole.

Tip: In looming, warp threads are the threads that form the base of the design, they're wrapped over the loom. Weft thread is the thread that is stitched with. It runs under and over the warp threads as you stitch rows.

Refer to Fig 1 photo showing the warp placement and how it is tied at the back.

Working from the spool of b-lon, begin by tying a double knot onto the edge of the warp bar (this is the coiled part you see on each end of the loom).

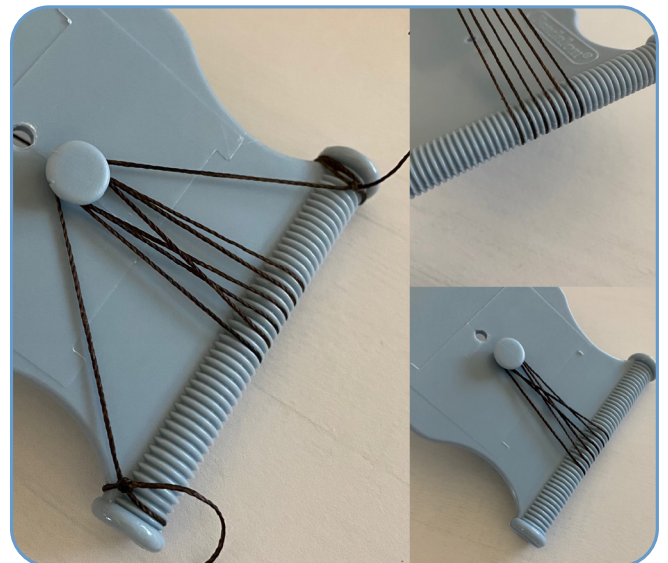
Wrap the cord around the peg located on the back of the loom. Bring the cord over the warp bar, across the loom to the other warp bar. Go over that bar in a groove that roughly corresponds with the groove you went through on the bottom bar.

Wrap around the peg on the back of the loom and come back up over the warp bar, headed back in the other direction. Skip the groove next to the first cord wrap and place the cord into the next groove. This placement is perfect for a size 8/0 bead.

Repeat this step, wrapping over the back pegs and coming over the warp bars until you have a total of 6 warp threads.

After adding the last warp, go around the back peg once more, then tie the cord to the other edge of the warp bar. See Fig 1

Remove the tension bar. Do this carefully. It helps to hold the loom against your chest and bend it slightly to free the bar.



Step 2

Cut a 70" (178cm) strand of Wildfire beading thread. Thread the Jewel Loom Needle. Take the tail side of this strand and tie it into a double knot around the left-most warp thread, about a quarter of the way up from the bottom bar. Bring the needle under the warps to the other side (the right hand side).

Refer to the loomed chevron pattern. Pick up (5) size 8/0 beads according to the pattern. Slide the beads down the thread. They'll snuggle up to the left-most warp thread. Use your left hand index finger to hold the five beads up under the warp threads. Each bead should sit in between two warp strands.

Making sure to keep the needle above the warp threads, pass back through all the beads. Pull tightly.

Repeat this step to add rows through the end of the pattern.

Step 3

Weave in the remaining weft thread and weft tail. Weave each strand through several rows and trim.

Step 4

Remove from the loom by cutting the strands of B-Ion at the back of the loom, just above each peg. You may also need to clip free at the knot points on the warp bar. 35"

Twist the strands between your fingers to coil them together, or braid the strands if desired. Overhand knot the ends together.

Form the bracelet into a circle and lay the ending strands across each other. Cut a new strand of B-Ion, approx 35" in length. Bring the center of this new strand of cord under all end strands. Tie 8 or 9 square knots. Test that the bracelet strands can still slide under the square knots.

Secure the square knots with a double knot and trim.

Apricot Mix Loom

Bead Legend

Chart #:A Chart #:B Chart #:C
Root Copper Silver
Beer Count:84 Count:80
Count:86

Bead Chart

