

Russian Spiral with Bugle Beads

Material list – 28” long necklace:

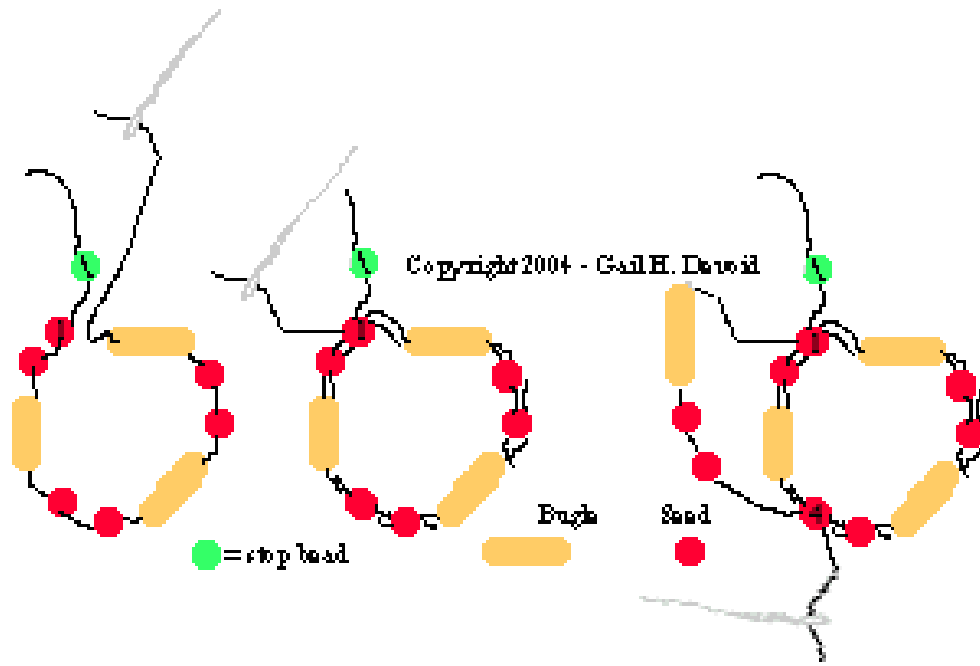
45 grams - #3 bugle beads
14 grams – 11/0 Czech seed beads
Fireline, Nymo size D, or other suitable beading thread
#11 or #12 needle
beeswax or thread conditioner
scissors
needle threader
file (to smooth rough edges of bugles)

Use 9 beads, three of them bugles and six of them seed beads to make a circle of beads.

String a stop bead (green bead in the diagram below), then 2 seed beads (illustrated as the red beads), one bugle (yellow bead in the diagram), 2 seed beads, one bugle, 2 seed beads, one bugle. Go through all the beads again skipping the stop bead and exiting the first seed bead (marked with the number 1 in the figure below). The second illustration in the graphic below shows the double thread between the beads.

* Pick up a bugle and two seed beads and go through the first seed bead (marked with a 4 in the figure below) after the next bugle in the round. You are putting the bugle you are stringing over a seed bead, the next seed bead over a bugle, and the last seed bead strung over the first seed bead after the bugle.

Repeat from * until you have the length you want. The picture below is a 27” necklace.



Example:

The necklace below used crystal bugle beads and hematite glass seed beads:

