

# Wedding Lace Bracelet

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## Materials:

11° (Size 11) seed beads in 2 or 3 colors (Colors A, B, C)

15° (Size 15) seed beads in contrasting color

Size 12 beading needle

Silimide ® or Nymo ® to match

Thread Heaven ®

Button with a shank (for clasp)

## Basic Instructions:

Squares of beads are first constructed, then joined together to form a lacy length of beads

## Part I Instructions:

1. Condition and stretch 1 yard of thread, then thread through needle.
2. Pick up 8 size 11 seed beads of color A. Run needle back through first bead threaded so beads form a circle. (Fig 1) Pull thread tight.

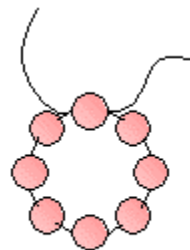


Fig 1

3. Pick up 3 size 11 seed beads of color B. Skip 1 bead on the circle, and pass needle through the 3<sup>rd</sup> bead of color A. (Fig 2) Pull thread tight.

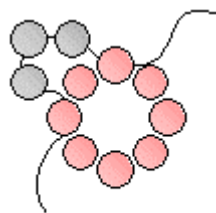
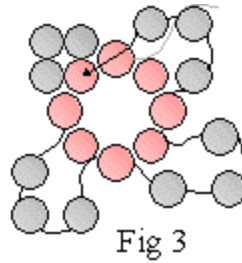
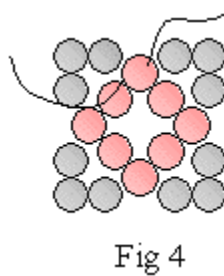


Fig 2

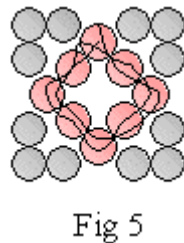
- Pick up 3 more size 11 seed beads of color B, skip a bead in the circle, then pass the needle through the next circle bead. Repeat twice. (Fig 3) Pull thread tight.



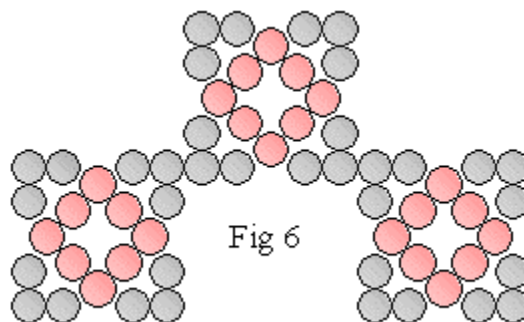
- Pull thread tight. You will end up with a square with the center now taking on a diamond shape. (Fig 4)



- Secure both the tail and the working threads by running them through the 8 bead center several times. Cut threads close to beads. (Fig 5)



- You will be making approximately 22 squares. Measure your wrist, then add a half-inch. Line your finished squares up corner to opposite corner (Fig 6), measure, then add the length of your button clasp. The total length of your bracelet should equal your wrist measurement plus a half-inch. Increase or decrease the number of squares as needed.



- Condition and stretch 1 yard of thread, then thread through needle.

9. Secure thread, burying tail, in the center of one of the squares (Fig 7) and bring needle through the 3 corner beads.

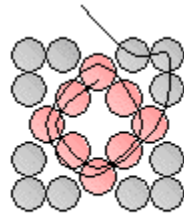


Fig 7

10. Pick up 3 size 15 seed beads and pass needle through the next top 2 beads of the square. (Fig 8) Nudge beads to form a neat "peak" shape. Pull thread tight.

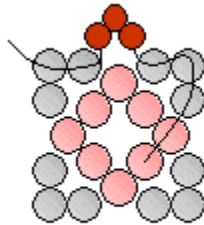


Fig 8

11. Pass needle through the top 2 corner beads of another square. (Fig 9)

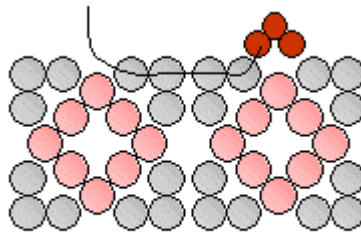


Fig 9

12. Pick up 3 size 15 seed beads, nudge them into a neat peak, and pass needle through the remaining top two beads on the square. (Fig 10)

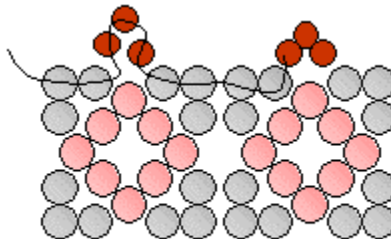
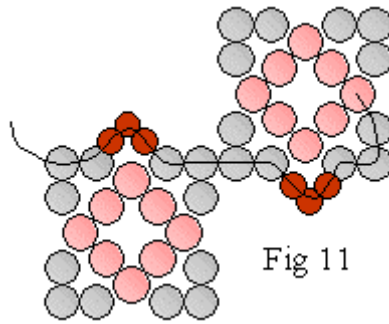
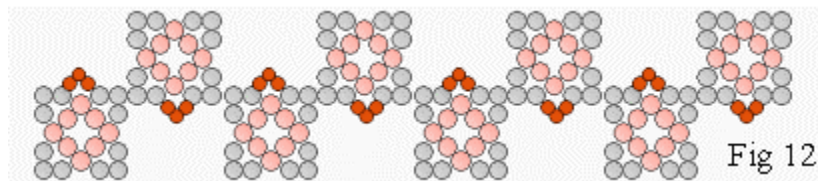


Fig 10

13. Pull thread tight. You will notice that the two squares flip-flop positions. (Fig 11) This is what it is supposed to do.

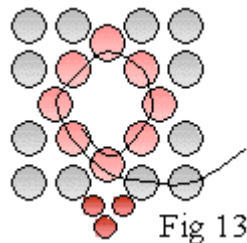


14. Keep adding squares until the desired bracelet length minus clasp (button) length is reached. (Fig 12)



**Part 2 Instructions:**

15. Condition and stretch 1 yard of thread, then thread through needle.
16. Anchor thread, burying tail, in the center of one of the end squares, then bring needle out through a corner (color B) bead. (Fig 13)



17. Pick up enough beads of your choice of color A, B, or C to make loop to fit over button (clasp). You will want the loop to just fit comfortably over the button. It should be tight enough so that it will not fall off while wearing, yet not so tight that the threads will be stressed when pulling it on or off the button. After the correct number of beads are threaded (and tested for fit), run the needle through an inside corner bead, towards the center of the square. Pass the needle through one center bead, then through the other inside corner bead, then back through the closure loop of beads again. Repeat to strengthen the loops, but instead of passing through the loop a 3<sup>rd</sup> time, pass needle through the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> corner beads of the square, exiting on the top. (Fig 14)

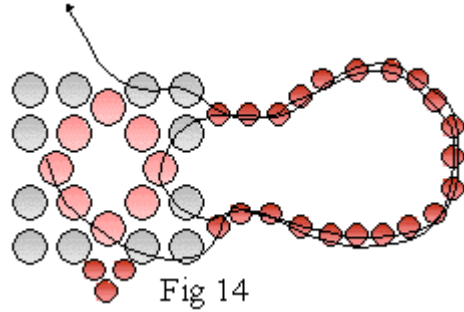


Fig 14

18. Pick up 3 size 15 beads, then pass needle through remaining two beads on top of square. (Fig 15)

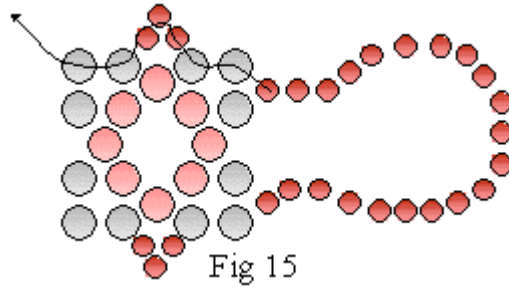


Fig 15

19. Pick up 3 size 11 beads in 3<sup>rd</sup> color (or choice of 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> color if only using 2 colors).
20. Pass needle through the size 15 peak bead in the next offset square, pick up 3 more size 11 beads in 3<sup>rd</sup> color, then pass needle through the top two beads in the next offset square. (Fig 16)

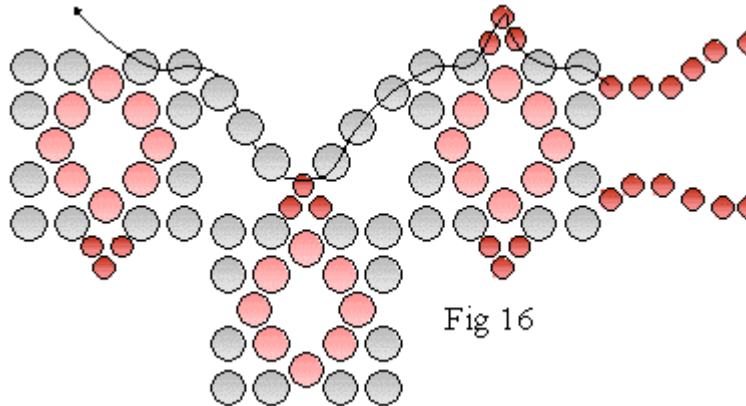
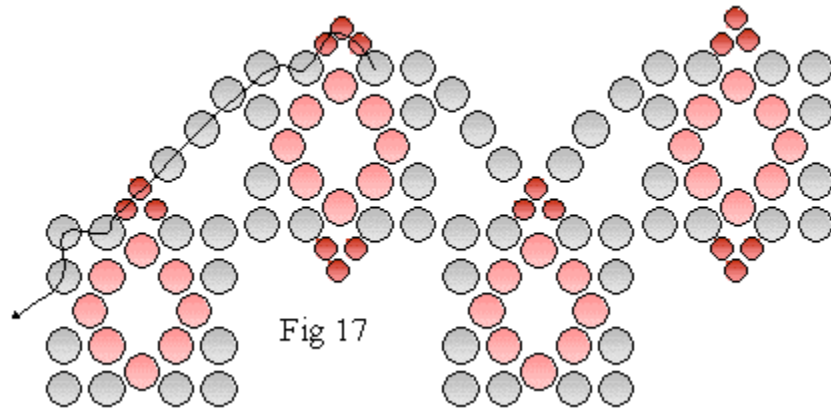
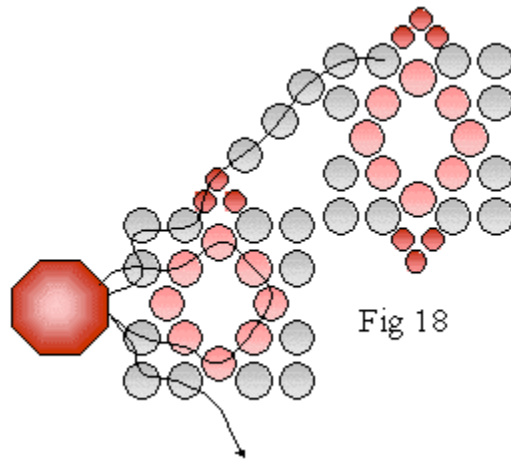


Fig 16

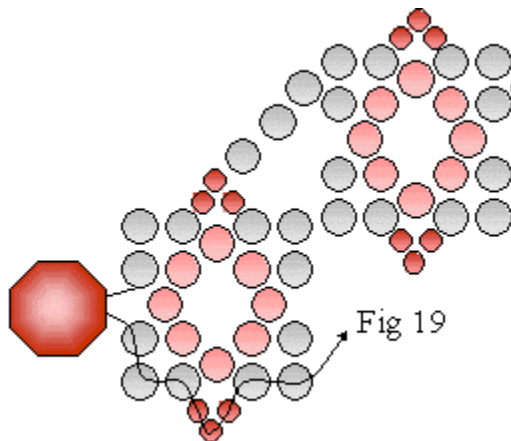
21. Repeat steps 18 through 20 until the end of the row of squares is reached. Pass the needle through the size 15 point bead and the one next to it, and all 3 corner beads of the last square. (Fig 17)



22. Attach button clasp and secure by running thread through center beads of end square. Exit thread through two next corner beads. (Fig 18)



23. Pick up 3 size 15 beads, then pass needle through next two corner beads. (Fig 19)



24. Repeat steps 18 through 20 to the end of the bracelet. Secure end of thread in the center of the last square. (Fig 20)

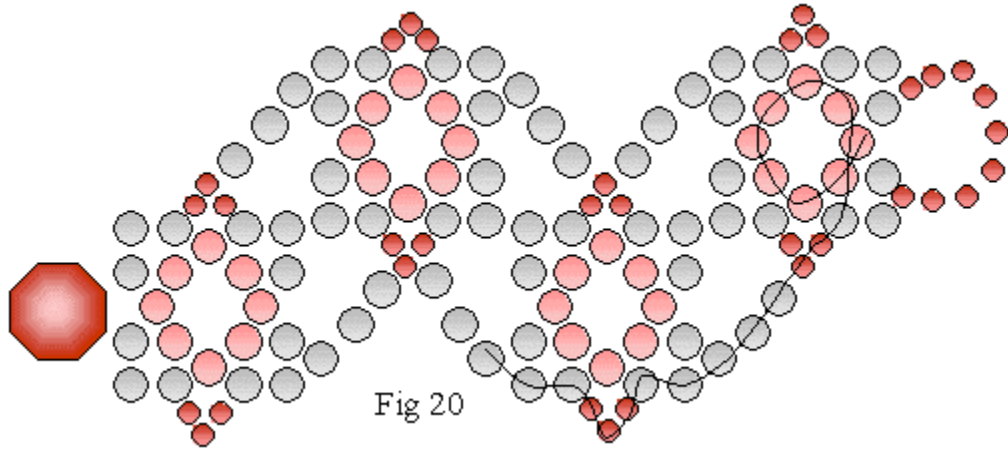


Fig 20