



## LEDA EARRINGS

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**Skill Level:** Advanced beginner/intermediate

**Techniques:** circular peyote stitch, picot

**Finished size:** 2" x 1.4" (excluding the ear wire)

### MATERIALS

1 gram size 15° seed beads

1 gram size 11° seed beads

1 gram size 8° seed beads

1 gram size 11 Delicas

16 x 4mm round beads (Druks, crystals, pearls)

Pair of ear wire

4lb. Fireline™

Size 12 beading needle

### COMPONENT A

**Step 1.** Use 3' of thread to string one delica and one 4mm round four times and sew back through all beads again to form a tight circle, leaving a 3" tail. Secure the thread and exit from a delica.

**Step 2.** String one 11°, five delicas, one 11° and sew through the next delica (**red thread**). Repeat this step three more times and exit the first 11° added in this round (**black thread**).

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**Step 3.** Work 3 stitches in peyote with one delica in each stitch and sew through the next delica and 11° of the previous round (**red thread**). Repeat this step three more times and exit the first delica added in this round (**black thread**).

**Step 4.** String two 11°s and sew through the next delica (**green thread**). String two 11°s and sew through the next delica of the previous round (**blue thread**). String two delicas and sew through the next delica of the previous round (**fuchsia thread**). Repeat these steps three more times, retrace the previous thread path to exit from first 11° added in this round (**black thread**).

**Step 5.** String one 11° and sew through the next 11° (**green thread**). String one delica and sew through the next 11° (**red thread**). String one 11° and sew through the next 11° (**turquoise thread**). String one 15° and sew through the next two delicas (**fuchsia thread**). String one 15° and sew through the next 11° (**orange thread**). Repeat these steps three more times, retrace the previous thread path to exit from first 11° added in this round (**black thread**).

**Step 6.** String seven delicas and sew through the next 11° of the previous round (**red thread**). String one delica, skip the next 11° and sew through the following 15° (**fuchsia thread**). String one 8° and sew through the next 15° (**turquoise thread**). String one delica, skip the nearest 11° and sew through the next 11° of the previous round (**orange thread**). Repeat these steps three more times, retrace the previous thread path to exit from the first delica added in this round (**black thread**).

**Step 7.** Work three stitches in peyote with one delica in each stitch, sew through the next 11° and the following delica (**red thread**). String one delica and sew through the next 8° (**green thread**). String one delica and sew through next the delica, center 11° and the following delica (**fuchsia thread**). Repeat these steps three more times, on last repeat, exit the next delica (**black thread**).

**Step 8.** String one 8° and sew through the next delica (**blue thread**). String three 15°s, skip the next delica and sew through the following delica (**red thread**). String three 15°s, skip the next delica and sew through the following delica (**turquoise thread**). String one 8° and sew through the next two delicas (**fuchsia thread**). String three 15°s and sew through the next two delicas (**orange thread**). Repeat these steps three more times to complete the round, on last the repeat, exit the first 8° added in this round (**black thread**).

**Step 9.** String one 11° and sew through the next three 15°s (**green thread**). String three 15°s and sew through the next three 15°s (**red thread**). String one 11° and retrace the previous thread path to exit from the next second 8° added on previous round (**blue thread**). Repeat these steps three more times to complete the round, then secure the thread and trim it (**black thread**).

## COMPONENT B

**Step 10.** Use 1' of thread to string one delica and one 4mm four times, sew through all the beads again to form a tight circle, leaving a 3" tail. Secure the thread and exit a delica.

**Step 11.** String seven 15°s and sew through the next delica (**red thread**). Repeat this step three more times, retrace the previous thread path to exit the fourth 15° of first set of seven beads added in this round (**black thread**).

### EAR WIRE LOOP

**Step 12.** String one 11°, six 15°s, one 11° and sew back the through the 15° exited, to form a loop. Repeat the thread path through the loop to reinforce, continue through beads to exit from mirror the 15° on the opposite side of the component. Do not trim the working thread.

### ASSEMBLY

**Step 13.** Lay Component A below Component B. Using the working thread of Component B, string one 11° and sew through the mirror 15° of Component A (**green thread**). String one 11° and sew back through the 15° exited of Component. Repeat the thread path through all beads of the junction to reinforce, secure the thread and trim it (**black thread**).

**Step 14.** Form another earring by repeating Steps 1 through 13. Attach an ear wire to each loop to complete the pair.

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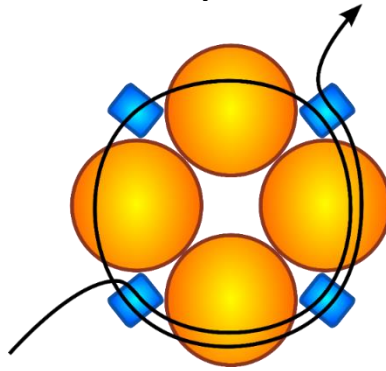
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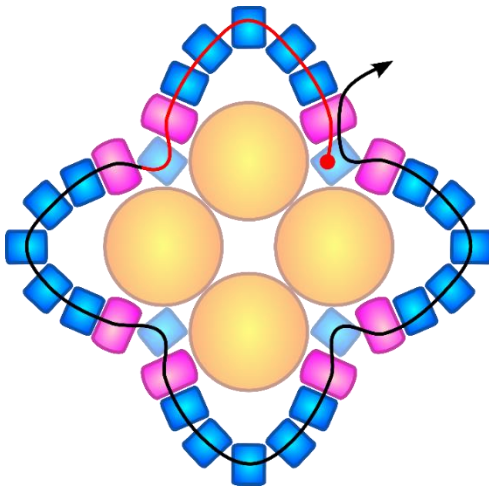


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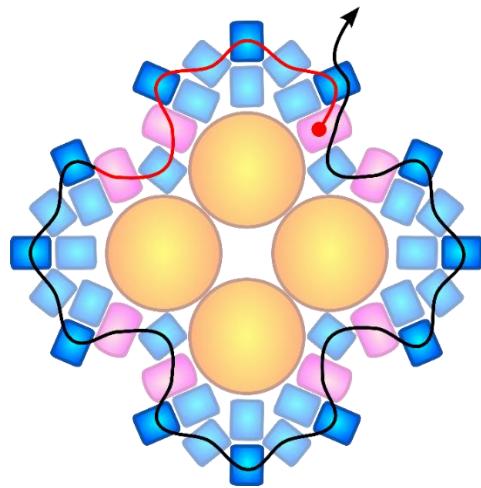
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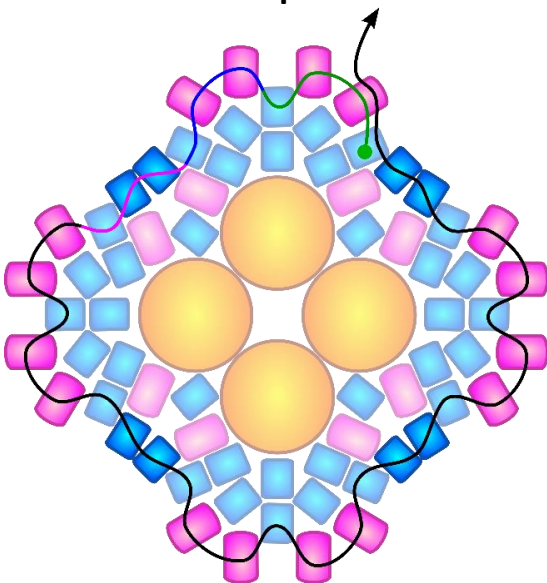
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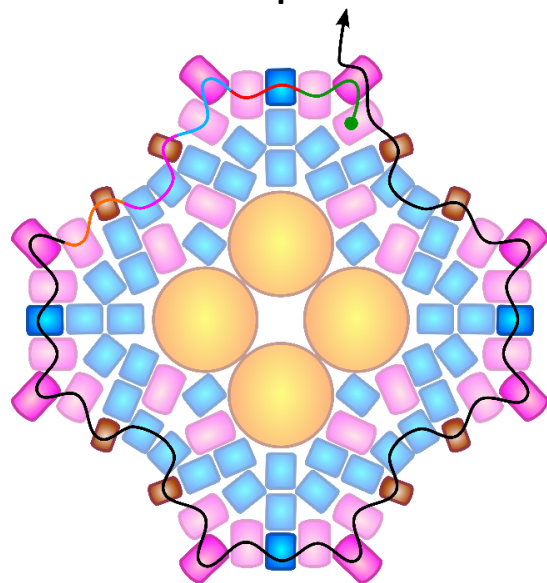
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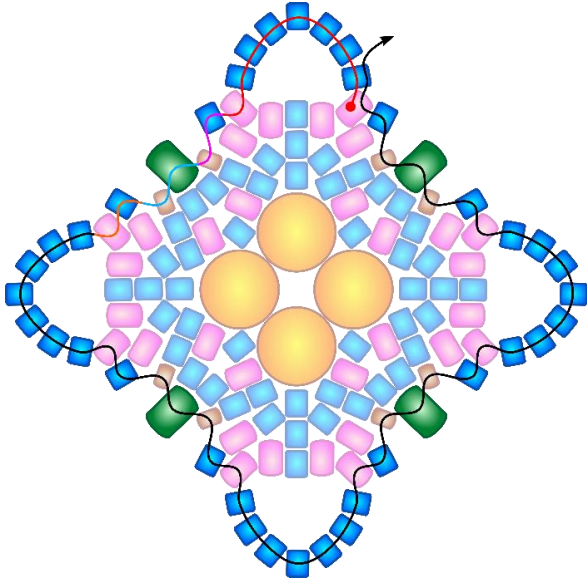
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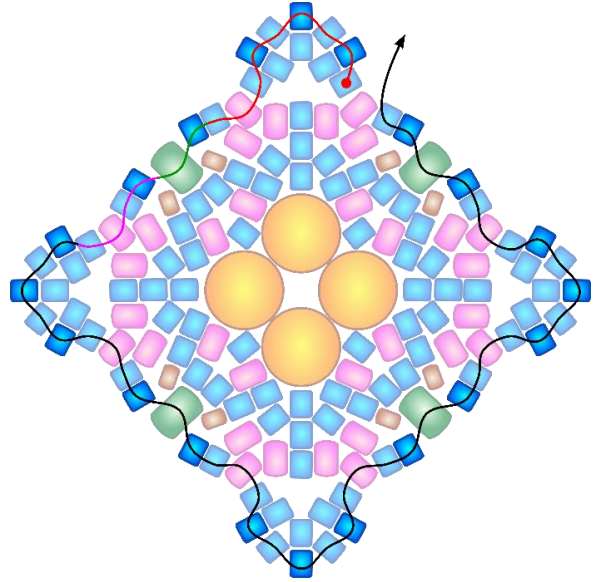
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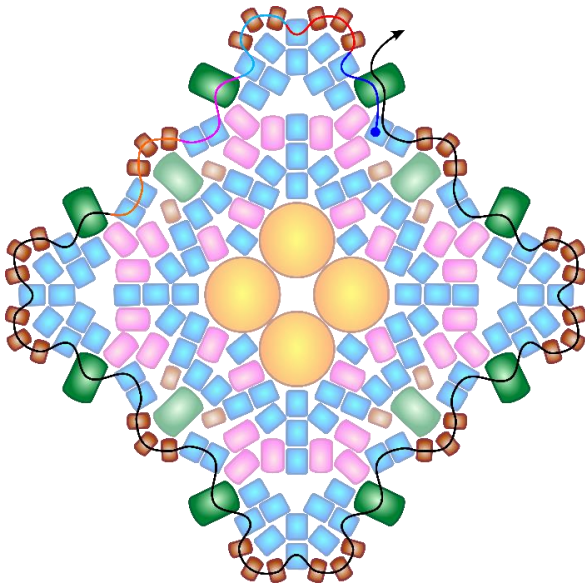
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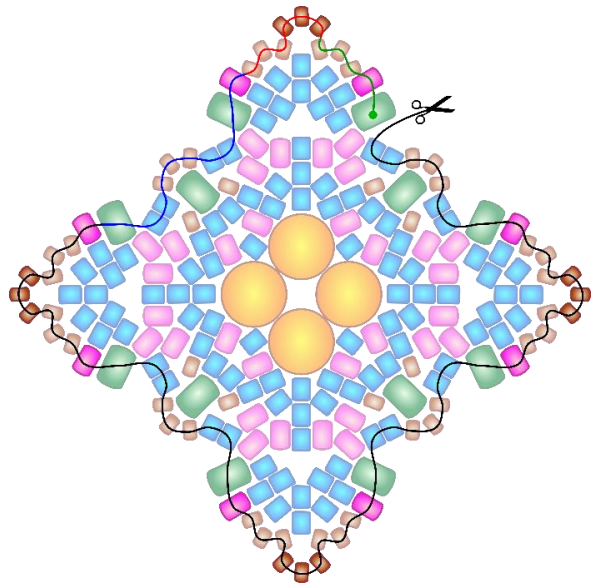
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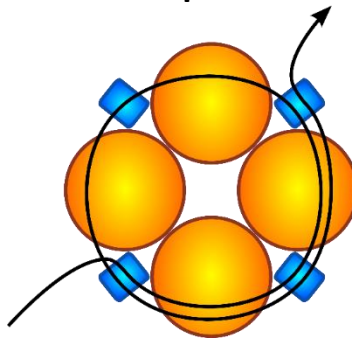
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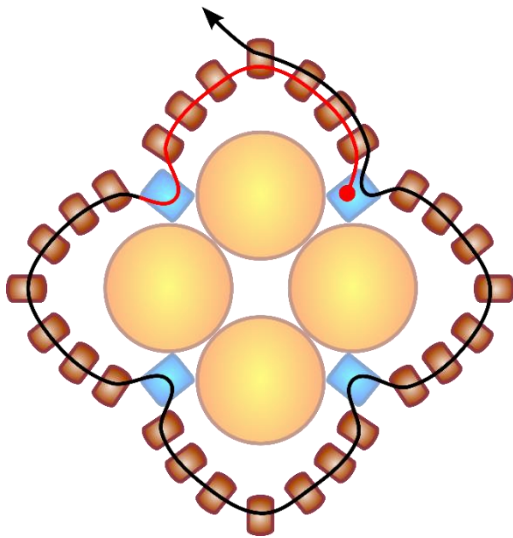
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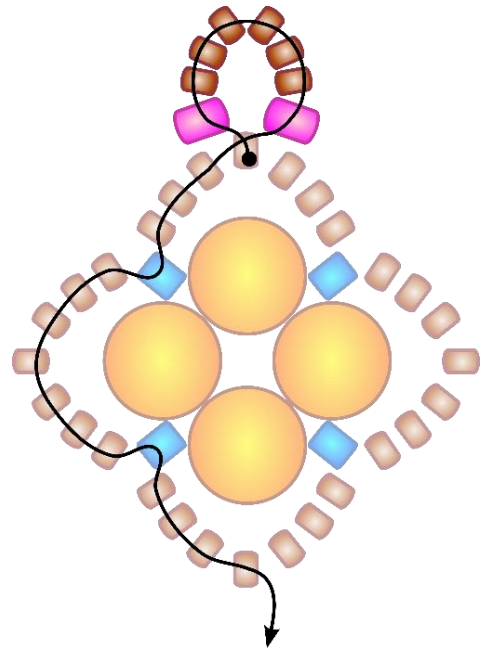
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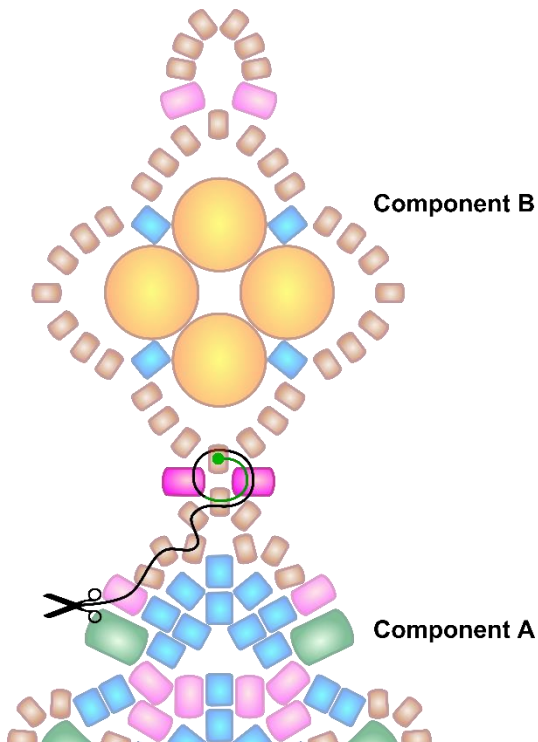
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Step 12



Step 13



Step 14

