



PROJECT

Three Bracelets with Bugle Beads

These three bracelets follow the same pattern, but two use seed beads (8° s and 11° s) instead of the cube beads called for in the following instructions. This pattern is very close to the hex-cut variation – only the beads are different.

1. Pick up one cube bead, one bugle bead, two cubes, one bugle, and one cube. Circle back through the first three beads – one cube, one bugle, and one cube. These are the first two stacks of your first segment (**photo a**).
2. Pick up one cube, and continue through the last three beads – one cube, one bugle, and one cube (**photo b**).
3. Pick up one cube, one bugle, two cubes, one bugle, and one cube. Circle back through the first three beads you just strung – one cube, one bugle, and one cube (**photo c**). (I purposely showed the two circles of beads as being separate, but be sure that you push the beads tightly together to close the gap.)
4. Pick up one cube, turn, and go back down through the three beads in the new stack (cube, bugle, cube) and the first cube in the previous stack (**photo d**).
5. Pick up one cube bead. Pass your needle up through the next cube-bugle-cube stack in the new segment (**photo e**).
6. Pick up one cube, one bugle, two cubes, one bugle, and one cube, and make the next segment as you did the last one. Continue adding segments until you reach the desired length.
7. You should have two three-bead rows of cubes except at the beginning of the bracelet. To finish the piece, use the starting tail to pick up a cube. Turn, and pass your needle down through the three beads in the column (**photo f**). Now you are ready to add the clasp of your choice to each end of the bracelet. I chose a simple spring clasp.

MATERIALS

- 3–6mm bugle beads
- cube beads or 8° or 11° seed beads
- beading thread
- size 10 or 12 beading needle

