

# MARCH 2010

## PROJECT OF THE MONTH

### - ROSE NECKLACE -



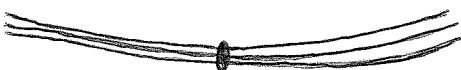
## INGREDIENTS

- 1 x porcelain rose
- 3 x 60cm lengths of tigertail or Softflex
- 2 types of number 11 seed beads, one type of #8 seed beads or similar
- 2 x small caps or cones for the ends
- 6 crimps and a clasp

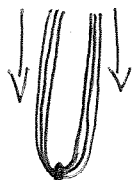
You will need a pair of wire cutters, chain nose pliers and 2 bead clamps. We recommend working on your bead mat.

## RECIPE

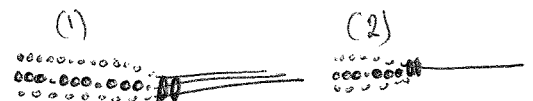
1. Take one #8 seed bead, and slide over all three lengths of tigertail until it is in the middle of the wires.



2. Hold all the ends of the wires together, and slide the rose down over all the strands until it sits on top of the seed bead. The seed bead acts as an anchor.



3. Split the wires again, three each side. These will form the neckpiece.
4. Bead one strand of a side with one colour of #11 seed beads. Slide on the beads until they are about 1cm short of the total length for that side of your necklace (to allow for the clasp). Check in the mirror that you are happy with the length that will produce.
5. Secure the first beaded strand with your clamp, and bead the second strand with the other colour of #11 seed beads until it is the same length as the first strand. Repeat with the third strand, this time using the #8 seed beads, including some #11's if you desire e.g. 3x #8, 1 x #11 etc.
6. Make sure the clap is holding all three beading strands tightly, then bead the other three strands the same way, to the same length. Clamp these strands securely together.
7. Now, double check the length in the mirror. If you need to, slide some beads off the ends to make it shorter, or add beads to make the strands longer. Make sure all the strands are even.
8. Once you are happy with the length, slide 2 crimps over the three strands of one side and squash them firmly. Cut off 2 of the leftover strands of tigertail.



Slide the cap/cone down the remaining strand. It will cover the crimps and the top of the seed beads for a neat finish. Slide on a crimp, one half of the clasp, then turn the wire and bring it back through the crimp and the cap.



Pull tight until the clasp sits in a small loop and all is tidy. Squash the crimp firmly and trim the excess tigertail.



Repeat for the other side and you are done!

ENJOY!