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## **Beaded Bead Brigade #3 | 2003**



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# Beaded Bead Brigade #3

Techniques: Ladder, Peyote, Herringbone



## About BBB #3

BBB #3 is comprised of an even number of ladder-stitched bugle End Rings, positioned on each end of a focal bead. The End Rings are foundational, to the body Spine Sets and End Caps.

A herringbone variation creates vertical spines, spaced horizontally with 3 or 4mm beads. The girth showcases textural and visual interest to the overall design.

**Note:** This design requires several passes thru bugle beads, therefore, knotting, gluing, and/or waxing are not initially recommended. When bead is completed, weave in and secure thread ends as you prefer. Tension is moderate, unless otherwise noted.

*Design Note*

BBB#3 - Large = 11/0 seed bead (SB)  
BBB#3 - Small = 15/0 seed bead (SB)

**Step 1**

**End Rings**

*Ladder Stitch*

*Note: The End Rings ladder stitches are worked with two needles; remaining steps = single needle.*

- Working with 2 needles from the center of 36 inches (91.5cm) of 6# Fireline, double needle ladder stitch crisscrossing thru bugles only, as follows:
- String, (1)Bugle, (1)SB-Left, (1)SB-Right, (1)Bugle, crisscross; (1)SB-L, (1)SB-R (**Fig.1-b**)

**REPEAT:**

*For Large BBB3: (14)bugles and (14)SB (pivot beads) each side*  
*For Small BBB3: (12)bugles and (12)SB (pivot beads) each side*

**Note:** Seed beads between bugles are place holders; referred to as "pivot beads". Pivot beads also hide thread path.

- Join bugle sets to form circle; further secure by needing thru next two bugle sets again.
- Place stop beads to secure both thread ends, to be used for End Caps and weaving into the finished piece, **DO NOT CUT!**

e. Make **TWO (2)** End Rings E-mail: kaiserbead@att.net@gmail.com



Fig.1-b



## Supplies for Large BBB3

14 ladder sets

| Quantity | Size    | Type           |
|----------|---------|----------------|
| 1 each   | 50x18mm | oval           |
| 28 each  | 4mm     | bicone         |
| 28 each  | 3mm     | bicone         |
| 7 grams  | #1      | bugle          |
| 7 grams  | 11/0    | seed bead (SB) |

## Notions

|            |                 |
|------------|-----------------|
| 6 lb. test | Fireline        |
| #12        | beading needles |

## Supplies for Small BBB3

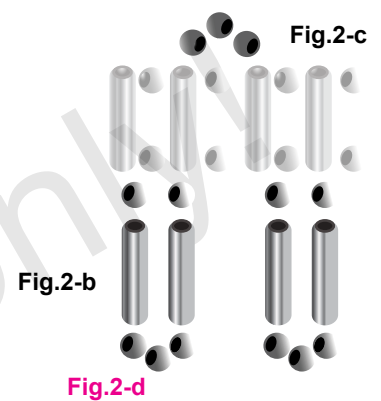
12 ladder sets

| Quantity | Size       | Type           |
|----------|------------|----------------|
| 1 each   | 25 x 10 mm | oval           |
| 30 each  | 3mm        | bicone         |
| 5 grams  | #1         | bugle          |
| 5 grams  | 15/0       | seed bead (SB) |

**Step 2** **Spine Set #1** *Herringbone*

*Note: Spine Sets #1 are supported by the End Rings and set up Spine Sets #2 and #3, or combinations thereof. See BBB3 Diagrams for Spine Set configuration. Tip: Work Spine Sets on a mandrel or in your hand. The focal bead will be inserted when Spine Set joins second End Cap.*

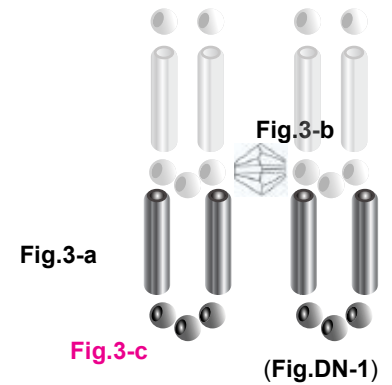
- a. Thread a #12 beading needle on a wingspan of 6# Fireline, Secure thread end with a Stop Bead, leaving 8 inch tail
- b. Needle exits a bugle; String (1)SB, (1)bugle, (3)SB; (*center of 3SB group = "point bead"*), (1)bugle, (1)SB (**Fig.2-b**)
- c. Needle up thru next bugle in End Ring, string (3)SB, skip pivot SB between bugles; needle down thru next bugle, repeat the round (**Fig.2-c**)
- d. EXIT - 1SB, 1bugle, 1SB next to point bead (**Fig.2-d**)



**Step 3** **Spine Set #2** *Herringbone*

*Note: Spine Sets #2 continues the vertical line and appends a 3mm bead to Spine Set #1.*

- a. String (1)bugle, (3)SB, (1)bugle, needle to and thru SB next to point bead (**Fig.3-a**)
- b. Pick up (1)3mm, needle thru SB next to point bead in next Spine Set, repeat the round, (**Fig.3-b**)
- c. EXIT - (1)bugle, (1)SB, next to point bead (**Fig.3-c**)



**Design Note**

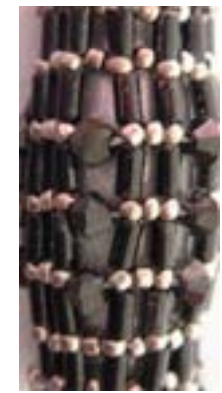
*Before proceeding - See BBB3 Diagrams for Spine Set configuration*

**If you are making BBB3-Large, continue to Step #4**  
**If you are working BBB3- Small, continue to Step #5**

Configurations are:

*For Large BBB3: (1)End Ring, (1)Spine #1, (2)Spine #2, (2)Spine #3, (1)Spine #2 (1)Spine #1, (1)End Ring*  
*For Small BBB3: (1)End Ring, (1)Spine #1, (2)Spine #2, (1)Spine #1, (1)End Ring (Fig.DN-1)*

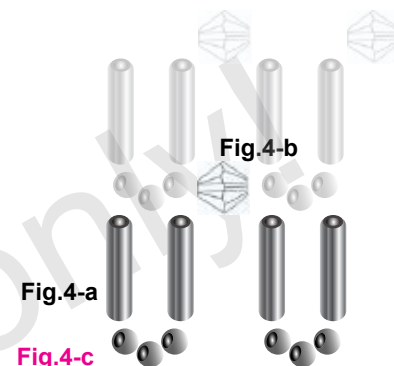
**Note:** Pay particular attention to Spine Set #1 thread path when joining second End Cap. You have been adding new rows with Spine Sets and also appending previous rows with a horizontal bead; thus the second End Cap join calculates a horizontal bead with the last Spine Set.



**Step 4** **Spine Set #3** *Herringbone*

*Note: Spine Set # 3 continues the vertical line with a 4mm bead between the seed beads next to the point beads.  
See BBB3 Diagram for Spine Set configuration*

- a. String (1)bugle, (3)SB, (1)bugle, needle to and thru SB next to point bead (**Fig.4-a**)
- b. Pick up (1)4mm, needle thru SB next to point bead in next Spine Set, repeat the round, (**Fig.4-b**)
- c. EXIT - (1)bugle, (1)SB, next to point bead. (**Fig.4-c**)



*Design Note*

**Optional:**

*If the bead opening is large, enhance End Ring from the inside, as follows:*

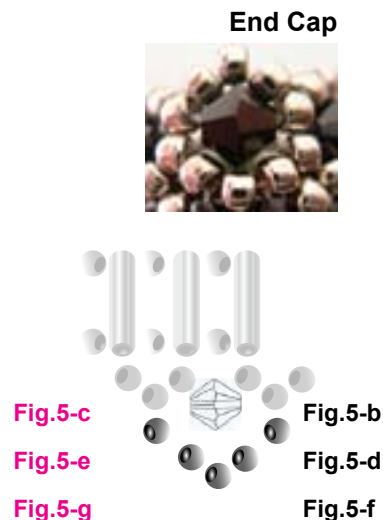
- a. Using a thread end from End Caps; needle to a pivot bead next to bugle ladders in Step #1 inside the End Ring
- b. String (3)SB between pivot beads , Step Up to 3SB point bead
- c. Place (1)SB between each point bead of 3SB, (tension is snug), pass thru circle twice
- d. Weave thread ends, secure and end (**Fig.DN-2**)

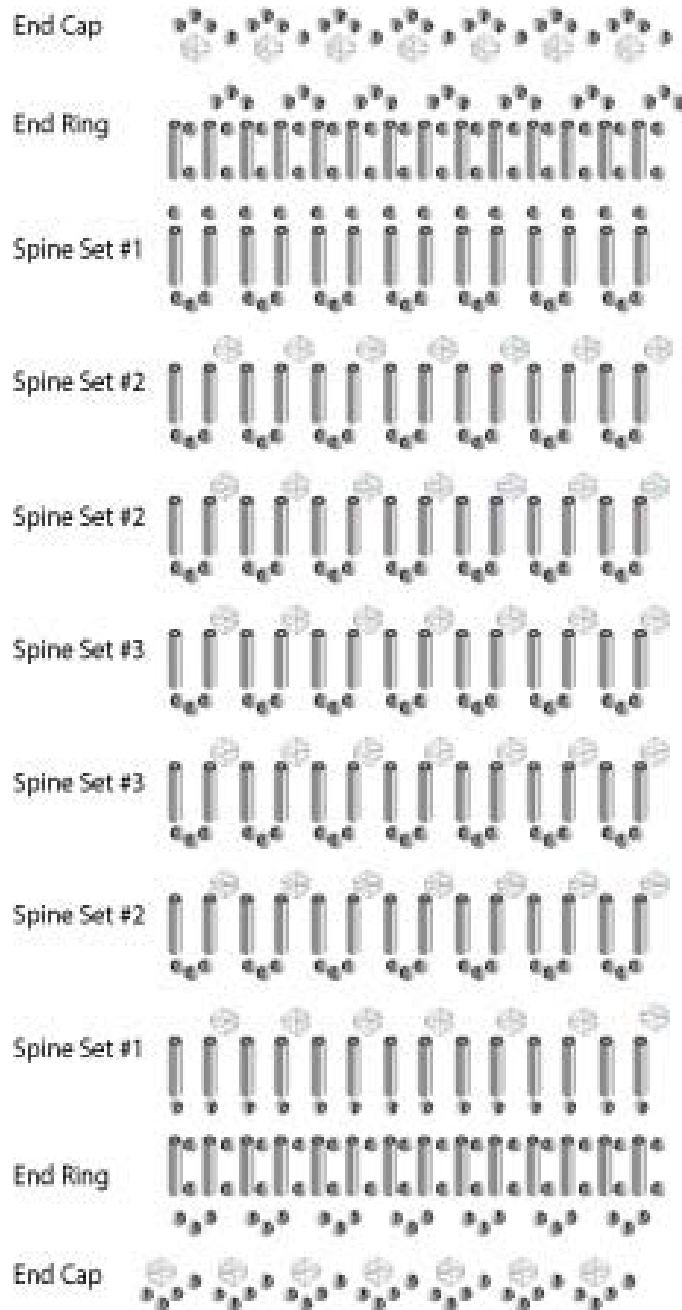


**Step 5** **End Cap** *Peyote*

*Note: Working thread continues and completes End Cap. Use non-working threads on first End Ring to complete first End Cap. All other threads are woven and secured within.  
Complete this step on both End Rings*

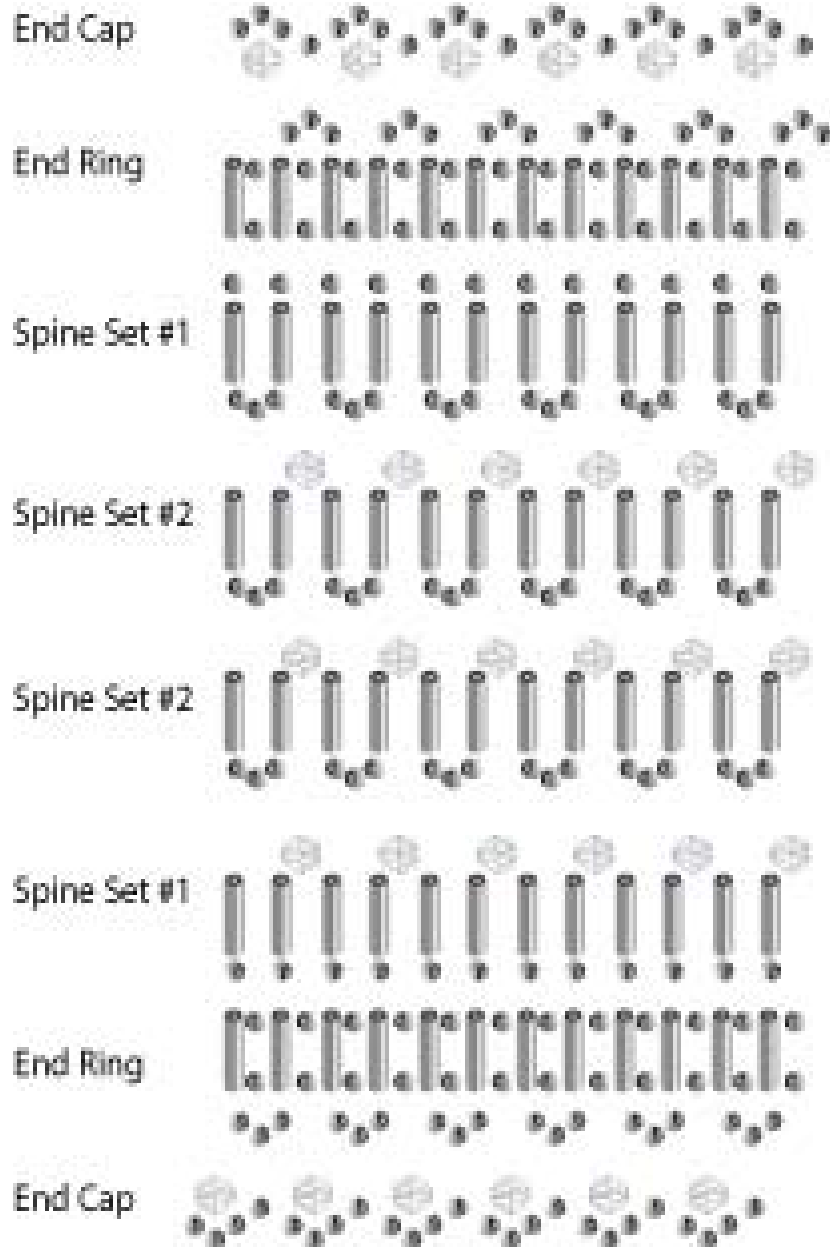
- a. Needle to point bead in End Ring (one End Cap will be worked in the opposite direction from the other)
- b. Pick up (1)3mm, (for BBB3 Small) **OR** (1)4mm, (for BBB3 Large) placing one between each point bead in End Ring, repeat the round, (**Fig.5-b**)
- c. Step Up, EXIT - 3 or 4 mm, needle thru one more SB and 3 or 4mm set (**Fig.5-c**)
- d. Pick up (1)SB, place between each 3 or 4mm, repeat the round, (**Fig.5-d**)
- e. Step Up, Exit - 1SB, down thru next 3 or 4mm and up to next SB (**Fig.5-e**)
- f. String (3)SB, place between each SB, repeat the round, (**Fig.5-f**)
- g. Step Up, needle thru row a second time, (tension is snug), Secure all thread ends, and ENJOY! (**Fig.5-g**)





Large BBB3 configuration:

- (1)End Cap
- (1)End Ring
- (1)Spine Set #1
- (2)Spine Set #2
- (2)Spine Set #3
- (1)Spine Set #2
- (1)Spine Set #1
- (1)End Ring
- (1)End Cap



Small BBB3 configuration:

- (1)End Cap
- (1)End Ring
- (1)Spine Set #1
- (2)Spine Set #2
- (1)Spine Set #2
- (1)Spine Set #1
- (1)End Ring
- (1)End Cap