

## 1304-2

Leslie Rogalski shows how to embellish with Charlottes from John Bead - a bead that is faceted on only one side.



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Combining two sizes of seed beads can be tricky. Here's a method of working a modified 2-drop peyote stitch using size 11 Czech seed beads with a central stripe of size 13 charlottes. Charlottes, which have one side cut flat, have added sparkle from that bit of faceting, but their size is tiny. The trick is to try not to pass through the tiny charlottes more than once, since they may not take multiple passes of needle and thread without breaking. Using Czech beads with their rounded shapes gives more ease to the way the thread paths pull at angles as you avoid multiple passes through the charlottes.

### Materials needed

Size 11 Czech seed beads  
Size 13 Czech charlottes (one-cut)  
Wildfire beading thread, .006 or .004  
Size 10 (thin) beading needles to fit through the size 13 beads  
Scissors

### Instructions

**TIP:** Cull your beads! Czech beads are not uniform. Choose beads of similar size from hole to hole, and select charlottes with larger holes.

- 1: String beads 1–4, size 11s. Pass again through beads 1 and 2 so the four size 11s sit atop each other as in a ladder stitch.
- 2: String 1 charlotte (bead 5) and beads 6–9, size 11s.
- 3: Pass again through 6–9, forming a ladder as in Step 1.
- 4: String 1 charlotte, bead 10.

5: Pass through beads 3 and 4. String size 11 beads 11 and 12. Pass around again through size 11 beads 3, 4, 11, and 12.

6: String 1 charlotte bead 13.

TIP: Do not expect the smaller charlottes to line up in a row with the size 11s throughout this project. As your peyote strip progresses your thread paths will alter at angles to accommodate the inner stripe of smaller charlottes.

7: Pass through beads 9 and 8.

8: String size 11 beads 14 and 15, and charlotte bead 16.

9: Pass through beads 12 and 11.

10: String size 11 beads 17 and 18, and charlotte bead 19—choose a charlotte with a larger hole, as you will need to pass through this one twice. Pass through beads 15 and 14.

11: String size 11 beads 20 and 21, pass around through beads 15 and 14, and through beads 20 and 21.

12: Carefully pass through charlotte bead 19. Pass through size 11 beads 18 and 17.

13: String size 11 beads 22 and 23.

14: You may need to ladder stitch an extra charlotte to help keep your strip straight. String charlotte bead 24 and charlotte 25. Pass around to pass through charlotte 24 again.

15: String size 11 beads 26 and 27. Pass around through beads 20 and 21, and back through beads 26 and 27.

Continue working in this modified peyote stitch, adding two size 11s on either side of the central stripe of smaller charlottes. Use your judgment when to add a ladder stitched charlotte to fill the center stripe.

Try on the ring around your finger to determine when it is long enough to fit. When you are ready to close the ring, make sure you have a charlotte sticking “out” beyond the 11s on one end and “in” (as if indented) on the other. Zip together the size 11s, in a ladder stitch as you have been working throughout this project, passing through the charlottes only one more time. Weave the ends into the size 11 beads and trim.

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Modified 2-drop Peyote Rings  
 with size 11 and size 13 Czech

