

# Girl's Best Friend



## MATERIALS

### 7 in. (18cm) bracelet

- 3g Japanese cylinder beads
- 4mm bicone crystals
- 26 in color A
- 24 in color B
- toggle clasp
- Fireline 6 lb. test or Power Pro 10 lb. test
- beading needles, #12

Imitate the timeless look of the classic diamond tennis bracelet using Japanese seed beads, crystals, and right-angle weave.

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## stepbystep

**[1]** Pick up eight cylinders and slide them 10 in. (25cm) from the end of a 3-yd. (2.7m) length of Fireline.

Sew back through the beads again and continue through the next two beads, pulling the beads into a tight circle (figure 1, a–b).

**[2]** Pick up an A crystal, skip the next pair of cylinders, and sew through the following pair in the opposite direction, so the crystal lies diagonally across the circle (b–c).

**[3]** Pick up six cylinders and sew back through the last two beads from the previous

step (c–d). Reinforce with a second thread path.

**[4]** Repeat step 2 (d–e) then sew through the next two cylinders (e–f).

**[5]** Repeat step 3, but continue through the next two cylinders (figure 2, a–b). This will offset the placement of the next two crystals.

**[6]** Repeat step 2, substituting a B crystal for the A crystal (b–c). All the crystals will lie in the same direction.

**[7]** Repeat step 3 (c–d). Reinforce the new circle with a second thread path and exit at point d.

**[8]** Repeat step 6 and sew

through the next two cylinders (d–e).

**[9]** Repeat steps 5–9, alternating between two color A and two color B crystals.

**[10]** To add the clasp modify the directions as follows: Add



the last crystal, but don't sew through the next two cylinders. Pick up one cylinder and half the clasp and sew back through the cylinder (**figure 3, a-b**). Reinforce the last circle with a second thread path, making sure to sew back through the clasp at least one more time. Secure the tail with half-hitch knots (Basics) between a few beads and trim.

**[11]** Repeat on the other end of the bracelet. ●

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