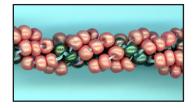
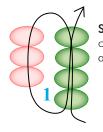
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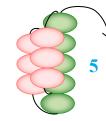




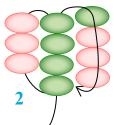
The spiral weave creates a flexible chain that has tremendous versatility. Use lightweight thread because there is a buildup of thread within the central core. Beads may be different sizes for textured effects, and the number of outer beads (shown in light pink) may be increased to create more "puff" in the resulting weave. This is a technique that's ripe for experimentation! Once you have the basic idea, you can easily build on it to create your own patterns.



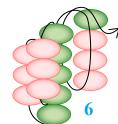
STEP 1 Thread on four beads of the center color and three beads of the outer color. Form a loose loop as shown.



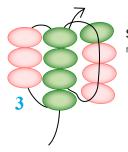
STEP 5 Shift the outer beads so they sit snugly against the outer beads of the previous loop.



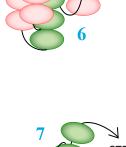
STEP 2 Add one center bead and three outer beads.



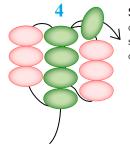
STEP 6 Add one center color bead and three outer color beads; run the needle through the last three center beads as shown. Run the needle through the last center color bead added and take up the slack.



STEP 3 Skip one center bead and run the needle through the remaining three.

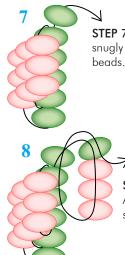


STEP 7 Shift the outer beads so they sit snugly against the previous loops of outer beads



STEP 4 Run the needle through the center color bead last added. Take up the slack so that bead sits on top of the other center color beads.

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STEP 8 Repeat the looping process. After seven or eight repetitions, the spiral pattern will begin to emerge.