

Orange Shirt Day Pin Beading Instructions

1. Drin gwiinzii! For this project, we will be using the one needle method. There are many different ways of sewing, but for this project, I will show you the way I was taught. Thread your needle and tie both ends together in a knot so you have a double string.
2. Start at the bottom corner of the Orange T-shirt. I will be sewing counter clockwise, but you can sew whichever direction feels most comfortable to you.
3. Poke your needle though the back of the white pollen on your preferred starting corner. Pull your thread all the way through until you hit your knot at the end.
4. String your beads on until they fill the bottom of the t-shirt. These bead numbers will vary for everyone.
5. Once your beads are measured out, poke your needle back through the white pellon.
6. Next, we will be 'tacking' down this first string of beads. To do this, poke your needle up between the bottom of the shirt and your string of beads. Then, your needle goes back through on the other side of your string of beads to 'tack' it down. Do this between every two beads.
7. When you have finished your first row, choose the next spot you would like to start, and continue this method around the whole shirt.
8. I will continue going counter clockwise, and start my next string of beads from the bottom right hand corner.
9. Once you have gone around the entire shirt once, you will start your second row of beads. We will use the same method. This time to tack down your beads, come from the back, through the pellon, between your two rows of beads.
10. Once you have finished the two rows around the t-shirt, tie off your string on the back, and snip off your string.
11. Next, cut out your shape around your beading, giving some space for your edging stitches. Careful not to snip your stitches that are already there.
12. The next step is to lay your beaded t-shirt on your piece of moosehide, and cut out the same shape.
13. Once you have your moosehide cut out, line up your beading and moosehide as close as possible, and we will start the edging.
14. To do the edging, first make sure you have enough thread to go all the way around the edge without having to replace your string.

15. To start, push your needle through the inside part of the moosehide. This will hide your knot. You can sew either direction, I will be going around the pin clockwise. Pull your thread tight all the way through to the knot.
16. Start by threading three beads onto your needle and push them all the way to the moosehide. One bead length over, push your needle through both the pellon and moosehide from front to back. Pull tight.
17. Bring your needle back to the front, and put your needle UP through your last bead. This will start the edging to crawl along the side of your pin. Pull tight.
18. From this point on, you will only be adding TWO beads for every stitch. Add two beads and poke your needle front to back through both the pollen and moosehide. Your needle then goes up through your last bead once again, and pull tight. Continue this all the way around the pin.
19. To end, once you are approximately one bead length away from your starting point. Add only ONE bead and go DOWN through your very first bead. Pull tight.
20. Push your needle through both the moosehide and pollen from back to front this time, and pull tight.
21. Thread your needle UP through your first initial bead and adjust it into the correct spot along the edge.
22. To finish, you can tie a knot at the back to secure your thread, or weave it in and out of your edging beads, following your previous stitches. This hides the thread and then you can snip it.
23. Peel the protective layer off your Orange Shirt when you are done. :)

Màhsi' cho, enjoy!