

## Tubular herringbone stitch

Learn one of the basic beadweaving stitches


Material (for one bracelet, approx. $18 \mathrm{~cm}-7$ inches long)

Matubo 11/0 (approx. 5 grams)
Matubo 8/0 (2 pcs)

Jump rings, a clasp.
Beading needle and thread (Nymo, Fireline...)

Difficulty: For beginners/intermediate

I am using Matubo 11/0s in this pattern, but if you wish, you can use any size of Matubo presses seed beads (they come in $8 / 0,7 / 0$ and $6 / 0$ ).

## Ladder stitch base

1) String two $11 / 0 \mathrm{~s}$.

2) Slide them to the end of the thread and tie a square knot. The beads should lie next to each other, as shown in the photo.

3) Pass the needle through one of the $11 / 0$ s.
4) Add one new $11 / 0$ and then pass through the previous 11/0 again.


5) Add one new $11 / 0$ and pass through the previous 11/0 again (like in step 4).
6) Pull snug and then pass through the new bead again.
7) Now you should have a strip of four beads - as shown in the photo.

8) The thread is exiting from the last bead of the strip.
Now go down through the first bead of the strip ...
9) And then go up again through the last bead.

The base row is finished.

Tip:
The number of beads in the base row determines the thickness of the rope. This one (with four beads in the row) is the thinnest one you can make.
If you want to make a thicker rope, make the base row longer (the number of beads in the base row has to be even).

## Herringbone stitch


11) Add two 11/0s and go down through the next bead in the base row.
12) Then go up through the next bead in the base row.

17) Add two new 11/0s and go down through the second bead from the same pair.

18) And then finish the row and make the step-up by going up through the first bead from the previous row and also through the first bead from the new row.

14) Now you've reached the end of the row.
Finish the row and make the step-up by going up through the last bead in the base row and also through the first bead in


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20) ... until you reach the desired length of the rope.

21) Now we need to "close" the end of the rope, so it looks similar to the base we made in steps 1-10. Go down through the second bead from the first pair ...
22) ... and then go up through the first bead from the second pair ...

23) ... and then go down
through the second bead from the first pair again.

24) ... and then go up through the first bead from the second pair again.

28) This is what you should get. The thread is exiting from one of the beads of the last row.

29) Add one $8 / 0$ and go down through the next bead in the last row.

30) Go up through the next bead in the last row.
31)... then pass through the $8 / 0$.
32) ... and then go down through the last bead from the last row.
Optionally you can weave through this row one more time. Then tie a few halfhitch knots and cut off the remaining thread.
33) Do the same on the other end of the rope.
34) Use the $8 / 0$ s to attach a clasp of your choice.

Tip:
You should keep your tension rather relaxed. The beads should sit neatly on each other with no gaps between them, but the finished rope should remain flexible and a little bit stretchy.

## Colorways:



Matubo 11/0:
03000/65491
03000/14497
03000/14449
Matubo 8/0:
70120/85106


Matubo 11/0:
03000/14464
03000/14449
Matubo 8/0:
03000/14464


Matubo 8/0
23980/14415
93200/15780
91220/84110

35) The bracelet is finished.


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