



Purple Beech Designs

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING A PURPLE BEECH DESIGNS FURNACE GLASS LARIAT

1. Silk cord needs to be stretched before it is used. Take the cord off the cardboard. Bend the cardboard in half. Taking the cord by the needle end, pull it through the cardboard two or three times to stretch the silk cord.
2. Tie a knot at the end of the cord. Cut off the straggly end then thread the clam clasp facing in towards the needle and slide down to the knot. Spot glue the knot, and close the clam clasp over the knot. (fig 1) Then open and put one end of the jumpring into the clam clasp loop, slip on the slice bead and then close the jumpring. See the first 3 pictures below as illustration. Open up the small jumpring and slip it through the loop in the squeeze capsule. Close the small jumpring. Open the large jumpring, slip on the big slice bead and the small jumpring. Close the big jumpring. That's one dangle done. Start the lariat
3. Thread the first bead section: a Swarovski, then furnace bead, followed by a Swarovski. See fig for the order in which the beads are threaded and knotted to make the lariat.
4. Make a knot as close as possible to the end Swarovski to hold that section of beads in place.
5. This is done by looping the cord round your fingers, and slipping the needle through the loop formed (fig 1). Insert the tweezers through the loop and grip the position at which you need to place the knot (see fig 2). Pull the cord to tighten the knot. Remove tweezers and tighten knot further.
6. Measure a 3cm distance from the knot (fig3.). Use your thumb to mark the distance while tying another knot in the cord.
7. Alternate the colours of furnace glass beads as in the diagrams and keep on knotting. When your lariat is long enough for you or it reaches just past 90cm, then it's time to put the final section on.
8. After the last section of beads, thread the second clam clasp onto the silk cord with the clasps facing away from the needle. Create a knot. Spot glue the knot and close the clam clasp around the knot.
9. Open the jumpring, thread it through the capsule hole and slip a slice on it. Close the jumpring.





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