



### **Guadiana Bead**

To make the Guadiana bead you need 60 bicones 4mm and 2 meter (7 ft) thread 0,2 fishing line or Fireline.

For the bead in this tutorial I used:

24 purple bicones Aurora Borealis (PUB)

28 black bicones (BB)

8 pink bicones Aurora Borealis (PIB)

20 lilac seedbeads size 11 for embellishment (SB)

This bead is in triangle stitch which resembles RAW (Right Angle Weave) in that you ALWAYS stitch left or right and NEVER across to another bead. The only times when you cross over to a bead in this tutorial is when you add the SB (seedbeads) for embellishment. The tension must be very firm because it gives your bead stability.

I hope you will enjoy making the Guadiana bead. This tutorial is free. The only thing I ask is to please give me credit for being the author of this pattern if you are going to show the Guadiana bead on your blog or any other website.

**Step 1:** pick up 1 PUB, 1 BB and 1 PUB



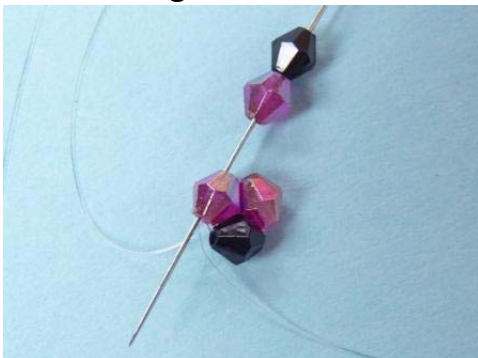
Go through all 3 bicones again and form a triangle. Tie a knot leaving a tail of 20 cm (8 inch).



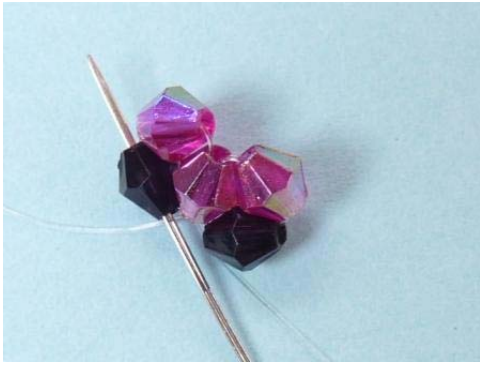
**Step 2:** take both the tail and the working thread down the left PUB and pull the knot inside the left bead.



**Step 3:** continue with your working thread and pick up 1 BB and 1 PUB. Sew through the PUB you just came out of to form another triangle. This is the basis of the triangle weave. Pull.



**Step 4:** without picking up beads turn right into the next BB. Pull.



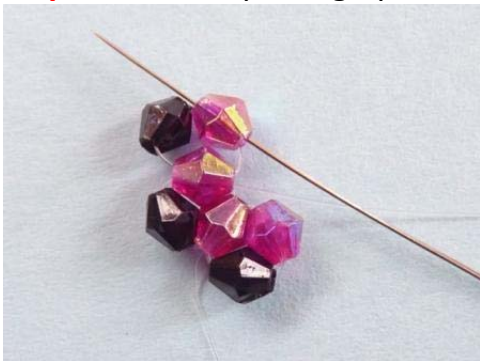
**Step 5:** without picking up beads turn right and sew through the next PUB. Pull.



**Step 6:** pick up 1 PUB and 1 BB and go through the PUB you just came out off. Pull.



**Step 7:** without picking up beads go up through the next PUB. Pull.



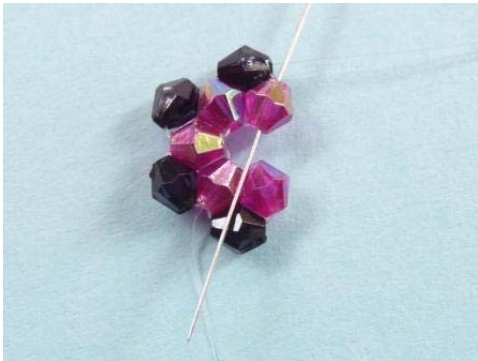
**Step 8:** pick up 1 BB and 1 PUB and sew through the PUB you just came out off. Pull.



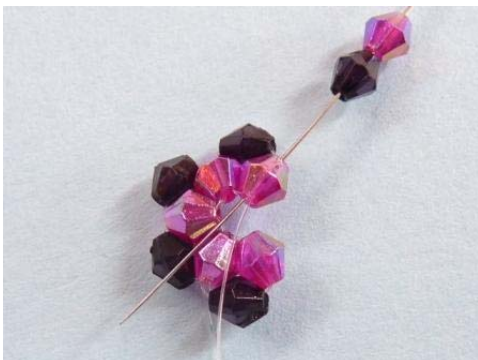
**Step 9:** without picking up beads turn right and go through the next BB. Pull.



**Step 10:** without picking up new beads go down through the next PUB. Pull.



**Step 11:** pick up 1 PUB and 1 BB and sew through the PUB you just came out off. Pull.





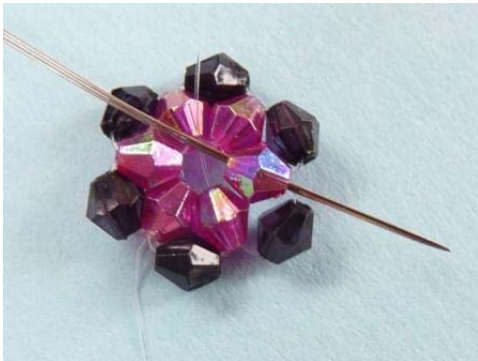
**Step 12:** without picking up beads bring sew through the next PUB. Pull.



**Step 13:** pick up 1 BB and sew through the next PUB. Pull.



**Step 14:** without picking up beads go through the PUB on the right.



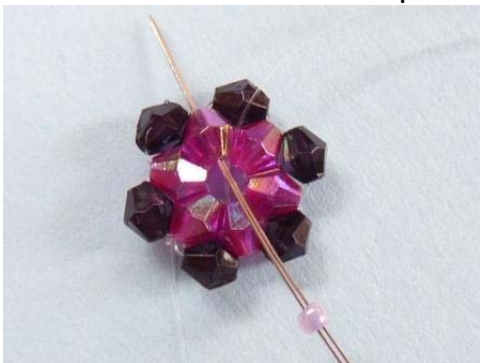
**Step 15:** without picking up beads sew down through the next BB.



**Step 16:** without picking up beads sew up through the next PUB. Pull.



**Step 17:** pick up a SB and sew through the PUB opposite the PUB you just came out off. Pull. You have completed the first round now.



**Step 18:** without picking up beads, turn right and go through the BB.



**Step 19:** pick up 2 PUB and sew through the BB you just came out off. Pull.



**Step 20:** without picking up beads, sew up through the next PUB. Pull.



**Step 21:** without picking up beads, sew down through the next PUB. Pull. Now you are in the same position as when you finished **Step 2** before.



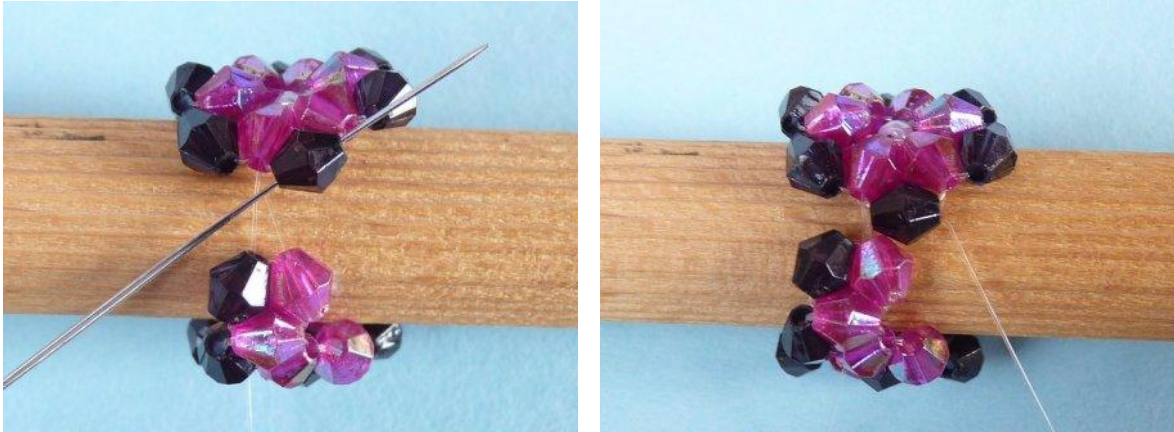
Repeat **Steps 3 to 21** until you have 3 circles plus the 2 PUBS on top of them (see left picture below). Then repeat **Steps 3 to 7** as you have done before (see right picture below).





## FORMING THE RING

**Step 22:** at this point we have to join both sides to form a ring. Normally you would pick up a BB and a PUB now. But instead you pick up no beads but sew through the BB on the other end. The first BB you started with in **Step 1**. Pull.



**Step 23:** pick up a PUB and sew up through the PUB on the left. Pull.

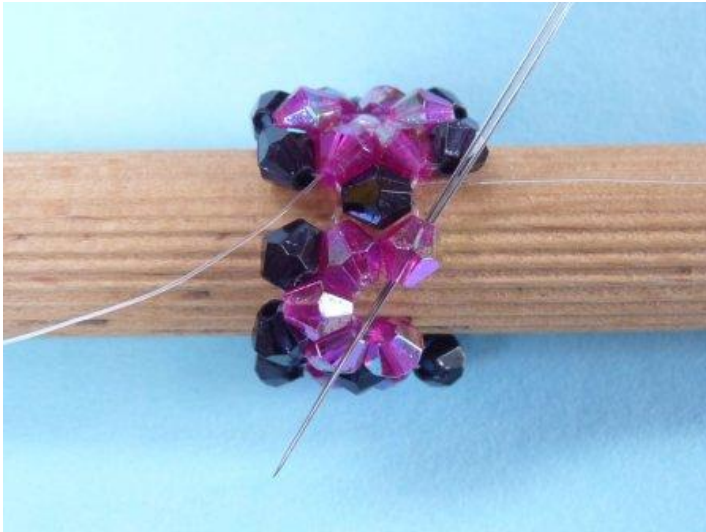


**Step 24:** without adding new beads turn right and go through the BB. Pull

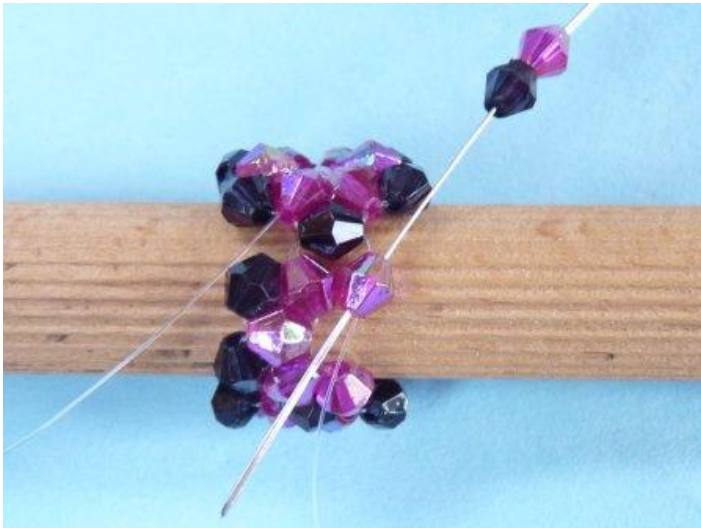




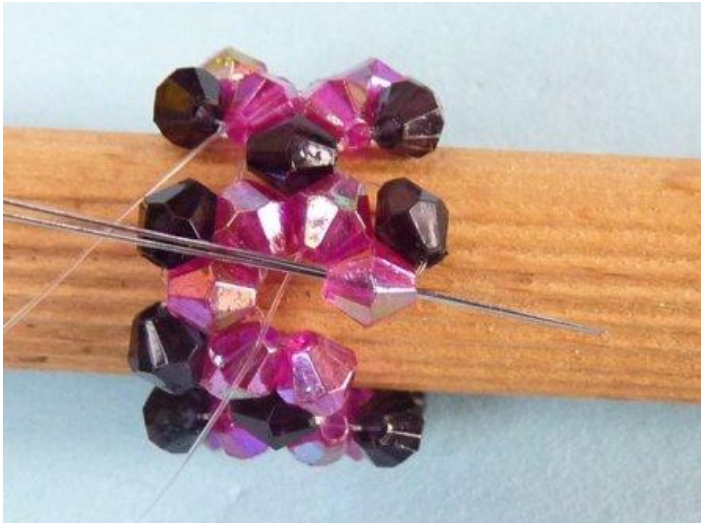
**Step 25:** without adding new beads sew down through the next PUB. Pull.



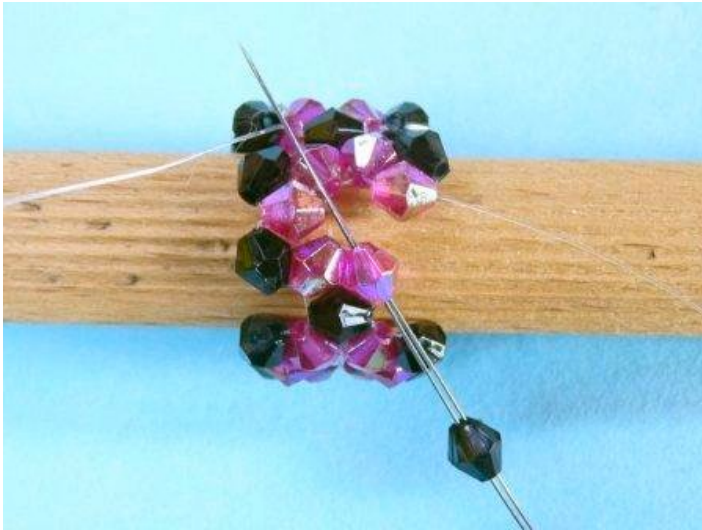
**Step 26:** now you need to finish the 4<sup>th</sup> circle by picking up a PUB and a BB and sew through the PUB you just came out off. Pull.



**Step 27:** without adding new beads go through the PUB you just added. Pull



**Step 28:** pick up a BB and sew up through the PUB left of you. Pull.



**Step 29:** without adding beads, sew up through the PUB on your right. Pull.



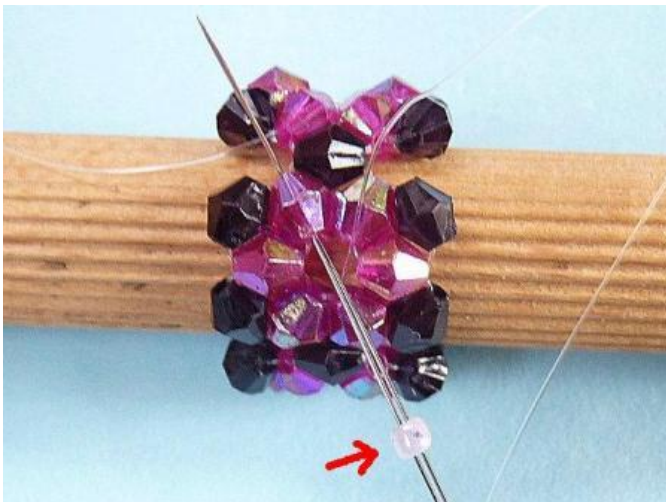
**Step 30:** without picking up beads go through the BB on your right. Pull.



**Step 31:** without picking up beads sew up through the PUB on your left. Pull.



**Step 32:** pick up a SB and go through the PUB opposite the one you came out off. Pull.



**Step 33:** without picking up beads, turn right and sew through the BB. Pull. You have completed the 4 circles into a ring. For this bead you need to make 4 circles but at this point you can also carry on and make a ring for your finger.



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**Step 34:** now you have to get in the right position to start the sides of this bead. Without picking up beads, sew down through the next PUB. Pull.



**Step 35:** without picking up beads, sew through the next PUB. Pull.



**Step 36:** without picking up beads, sew up through the BB on your left. Pull. You are now in position to start the next steps.



## MAKING THE SIDES

**Step 37:** now you begin making the sides of this beaded bead. I numbered the 8 BB beads that form the basis of the sides. I call it the circle of 8. Pick up a BB and a PIB (Pink Bead). Sew through BB1 from left to right. Pull.



**Step 38:** without picking up beads sew down through the BB you just added. Pull.



**Step 39:** pick up 1 PIB and sew through the next BB from the circle of 8 from right to left. Pull.



**Step 40:** without picking up beads sew down through the next BB. Pull.



**Step 41:** without picking up beads sew up through the next PIB. Pull.





**Step 42:** turn right and go through the next BB from the circle of 8 from left to right. Pull.



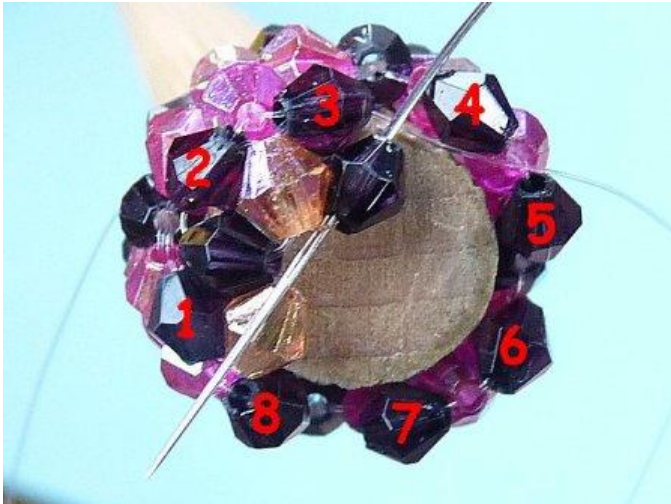
**Step 43:** pick up 1 BB and sew up through the previous PIB you added. Pull.



**Step 44:** without adding beads, go through the next BB from the circle of 8 from left to right. Pull.



**Step 45:** without picking up beads, sew down to the next BB. Pull.



Repeat **Steps 39 to 45 (including 45)** 2 more times. It then looks like this:

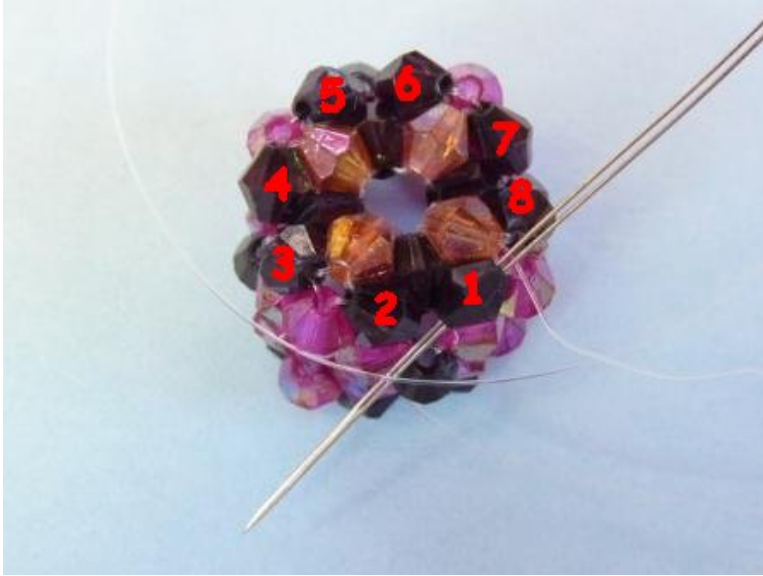


**Step 46:** without picking up beads, sew up through the next PIB. Pull.

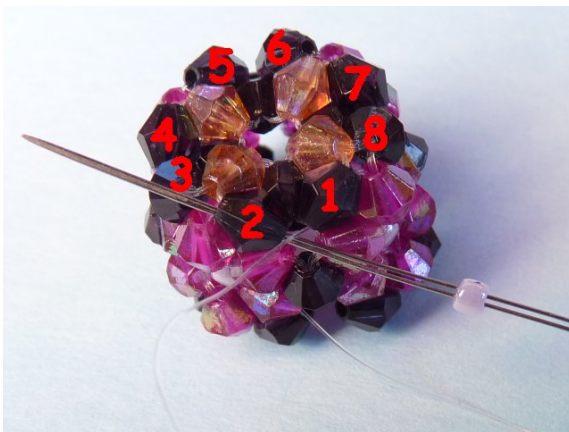


To make the bead more stiff, I sew through all the side beads again.

**Step 47:** now it is time to add the SB (seedbeads) for embellishment. To get in position go right through BB1.



**Step 48:** pick up a SB and cross to BB2. Pull. Go on until all the gaps between the BB of the circle of 8 are filled with a SB. That is 8 SB in total.

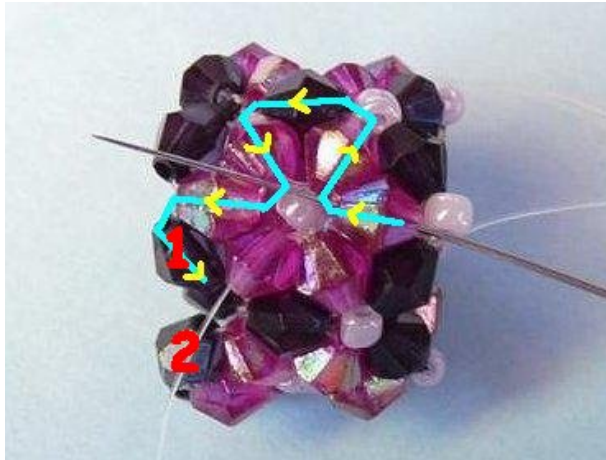


**Step 49:** without adding beads go once more through a SB and a BB.





**Step 50:** turn left and without adding beads sew through the next PUB. Then cross to the other side like you see in the left picture below. Follow the threadpath shown by the blue line. You end this step by coming out of BB1, the first bead of the second side.



Now you are in the same position as when you started to bead the other side. So repeat **Steps 37 to 48 (including 48)**.

### **FINISHING THE BEAD**

Put a needle on the tail end of your thread and turn right through the BB. Put your needle back on the working thread and continue sewing through the circle of 8 including the SB until the working thread meets the tail. Tie a knot and sew the ends back into the bead.

### **FINISHED BEAD**



