

# The Grey Knight's Dragon

## Project N675

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This necklace is both dramatic and fierce! Shiny and matte gunmetal colored Miyuki Long Magatama beads have been Kumihimo braided into a spiral pattern that is visually stunning and texturally intriguing.

## What You'll Need

Miyuki Long Magatama Seed Beads - 4x7mm 'Gun Metal' 8.5 Grams

SKU: KMG-024

Project uses 4 tubes



Miyuki Long Magatama Seed Beads - 4x7mm 'Matte Gun Metal' 8.5 Grams

SKU: KMG-018

Project uses 4 tubes



BeadSmith Super-Lon Cord - Size 18 Twisted Nylon - Black / 77 Yard Spool

SKU: XCR-4236

Project uses 32 feet



Beadsmith Silver Plated Barrel Cord Ends With Ring 10mm Long - Fits Up To 4mm Cords (4)

SKU: FCR-1604

Project uses 2 pieces



TierraCast Silver Plated Pewter Large Beaded Toggle Clasp 16.5mm (1)

SKU: FCL-7045

Project uses 1 set



Silver Plated Open Jump Rings Oval 4x6mm 20 Gauge (50)

SKU: FJR-3906

Project uses 2 pieces



E6000 Industrial Strength Glue Adhesive (0.18 fl oz)

SKU: XTL-1054

Project uses 1 package



### Recommended Tools:

[XTL-6095] Beadsmith Lightweight Kumihimo Round Disc Disk For Japanese Braiding and Cording, [XTL-6108] No Tangle Flexible Plastic Thread Bobbins For Kumihimo Or Macrame 2 1/2 Inch (8 Pack), [XTL-5700] Fiskars 5 Precision Tip Scissors - Super Sharp, [XTL-5511] Beadsmith Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat Nose



## Instructions

1. To begin this project, please watch the video on How Braid Beaded Kumihimo with Long Magatama Beads. This video shows how to make the braid portion of this necklace. If you have never done Kumihimo before, please watch How to Braid Beaded Kumihimo. This second video will show you how to load your beads onto your bobbins, set up your threads, and get started.
2. For this necklace, cut 8 lengths of Super-Lon cord in black, 48" long each. Tie their ends together into an overhand knot. Onto 1 of the strands, string 1 tube of matte gunmetal Long Magatama beads and wind the thread and beads onto a bobbin. Repeat this with 3 other strands. Now take 1 of the remaining strands and string 1 tube of shiny gunmetal Long Magatama beads and wind the thread and beads onto a bobbin. Repeat this with 3 other strands.
3. Thread your knot through the hole in the middle of your Kumihimo disc and attach a weight.
4. Line your strands up on the Kumihimo board so that one strand with matte beads is on the right side of the 16 dot and one strand with matte beads is on the left side of the 16 dot. Place one strand with matte beads on the right side of the 32 dot and one strand with matte beads on the left side of the 32 dot. Place one strand with shiny beads on the right side of the 8 dot and one strand with shiny beads on the left side of the 8 dot. Place one strand with shiny beads on the right side of the 24 dot and one strand with shiny beads on the left side of the 24 dot.
5. Following what you learned in the videos, braid 1/4" without any beads. Next braid 13 - 14 inches using your Long Magatamas. Once you have braided about 13 inches, place the necklace onto your neck to see how much more, if any, you need to braid. The clasp and cord end caps will add about 1.5" so keep this in mind. Braid with the beads until the necklace is the desired length. After you are happy with how long it is, braid another 1/4" without beads.
6. Please watch the video on How to Tie Off and Finish Kumihimo Braid Ends. From what you learned in the video, glue your barrel cord ends to each side of the braid using E6000 glue.
7. To attach your clasp, open an oval jump ring and link it to one of the cord ends as well as one half of your clasp. Close the jump ring. Go to the other side of the necklace and repeat this step.
8. Enjoy!