

## Summer Fun Ring

Project R604

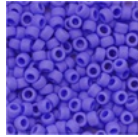
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Imagine yourself sitting on a sandy beach in the Caribbean while wearing this very Summery ring. The colors are those of the sea and the fun circular shape adds to the festive spirit of the ring.



### What You'll Need

Toho Round Seed Beads 8/0 48LF 'Opaque Frosted Periwinkle' 8 Gram Tube



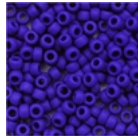
SKU: JSH-0241  
Project uses 1 tube

Toho Round Seed Beads 8/0 55F 'Opaque Frosted Turquoise' 8 Gram Tube



SKU: JSH-0249  
Project uses 1 tube

Toho Round Seed Beads 8/0 48F Opaque Frosted Navy Blue 8 Gram Tube



SKU: JSH-0240  
Project uses 1 tube

Wildfire Thermal Bonded Beading Thread .008 Inch - Black- 50 Yd



SKU: XCR-8936  
Project uses 1 piece

### Specialized Tools

English Beading Needles Assortment So Handy



SKU: XTL-3004

Fiskars 5 Precision Tip Scissors - Super Sharp



SKU: XTL-5700

### Instructions:

1. This ring combines two different bead weaving stitches - circular brick stitch and square stitch. We will be making the band as one unit and the top round as a separate unit and then connecting the two.
2. To begin the circular brick stitch round, watch this video. Create your round in the following pattern: 1st row (3 beads) in opaque frosted turquoise, 2nd row in opaque frosted periwinkle, 3rd row in opaque frosted navy blue. For the next 3 rows, repeat the same sequence.
3. Once you have finished the 6th row, tie off your thread. To see how to do this, watch this video (LINK). Go back to your thread tail and tie it off as well, weaving the remainder of the tail into the bead work. Put aside for now.
4. Depending on how large your finger is, it will change the amount of beads you use to make the band. We will be using the square stitch so please watch this videobefore you begin. For the first row, I strung (after the stop bead) 1 turquoise, 1 periwinkle, 1 navy blue and then repeated that sequence 5 more times (for a total of 6 segments of the 3 colors of beads). Then I strung 1 more turquoise. This made for a size 8 ring. If you have a smaller finger, reduce the number of beads you string. String the second row so that it is a mirror image of the first, you want it to end up where your colors are in stripes (2 turquoise on top of each other, 2 periwinkle on top of each other, etc..). Tie off your thread. Go back, remove the stop bead, tie off the tail and weave it back into the bead work.
5. To connect your band to the circular round, string 2 feet of thread onto the needle. See the video here for adding a new thread to bead work. Do this to your band so that you have a freshly connected thread added, secure, and sticking out from the hole inside one of the end seed beads. Take your needle and string it through one of the navy blue seed beads on the 6th row of your circular round - connecting the band to the round. Pass the needle also through one of the periwinkle beads nearby in the 5th row. Now come back through another 5th row periwinkle and a navy blue bead on the 6th row which is directly next to the one you first threaded through. You want your needle to be exiting the circle. Now thread your needle through the seed bead in your band which is next to the one you exited from to begin with (to connect your circle). Make sure to keep pulling your thread taught as you do these steps. Now run your thread through the hole in one row of seed beads all the way along the length of your band until your needle sticks out the other side. Repeat the same process of connecting your band to your circular round that you did on the first side. Try to connect it to the two navy blue beads which are directly opposite the ones on the other side which are connected.
6. Tie off your thread and weave some of the tail back into the bead work. Cut off the excess with a pair of scissors.
7. Have fun wearing your pretty new ring!