



Basic Stitch Instructions

Right Angle Weave - Two Needles

Right Angle Weave can be worked using either one or two needles. These instructions are for the two needles version. It is a little awkward to work, but has a perfectly even tension which is especially useful if the beadwork will not be embellished over the surface.

Right Angle Weave (RAW) is made up of four-sided units.

When each side of the units has several beads ('Multi-Bead RAW'), an open fabric is produced, giving lots of scope for further embellishment and decoration.

When each side of the units is just a single bead ('Single Bead RAW'), a wonderfully tactile and flexible fabric of closely connected beads is created.

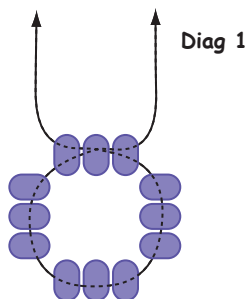
'Multi-bead' is the easier of the two forms to learn, because it is more open and you can see more readily where you are, so the instructions for that are given first. Practice it until you are comfortable with the thread path before trying the 'Single bead' form.

Multi-Bead Right Angle Weave

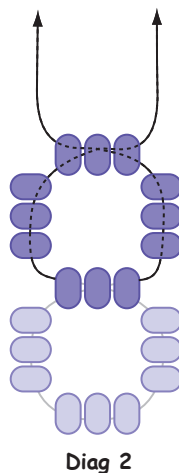
This example has 12 beads per unit. You can use any combination of beads you like, though it is best to have beads which are on opposite sides of the unit the same as each other.

FIRST ROW

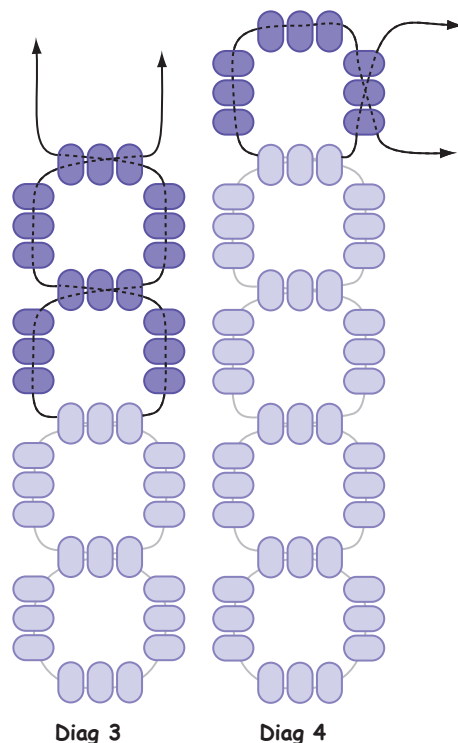
1. Take 2-3 meters of thread and place a needle on each end. With the left needle pick up twelve beads and allow them to slide to the centre of the thread. Take the right needle and pass through the last three beads picked up so that both threads cross over inside the beads. (Diag 1)



2. On the left needle pick up six beads, on the right needle pick up three beads. Pass the right needle through the last three beads picked up on the left so that both threads cross over inside the beads. Pull the thread reasonably tight but expect it to show a little. (Diag 2)



3. Repeat Step 2 until the desired length is achieved, except for the final unit. (Diag 3)



4. To complete the final unit of this row, pick up nine beads on the left needle and pass the right needle through the last three beads picked up on the left, so that both threads cross over inside the bead. (Diag 4)

Diag 3

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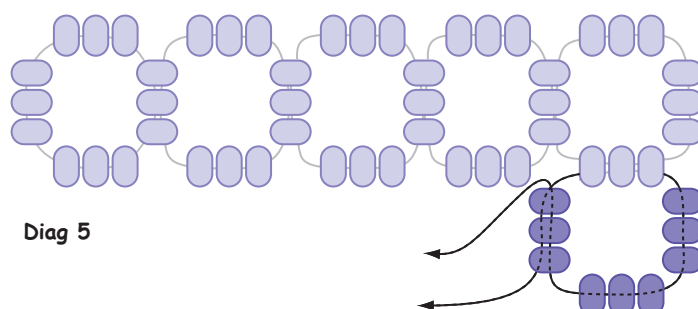
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Multi-Bead Right Angle Weave, contd

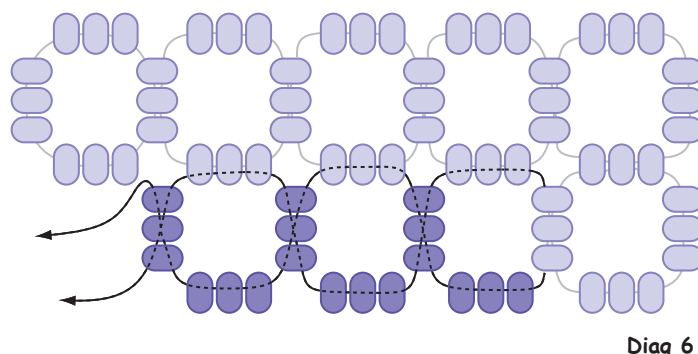
At this stage turn the work around so that you are working from right to left.
The beadwork can also be pinned down to a pillow or mat to aid working if desired.

SECOND & SUBSEQUENT ROWS

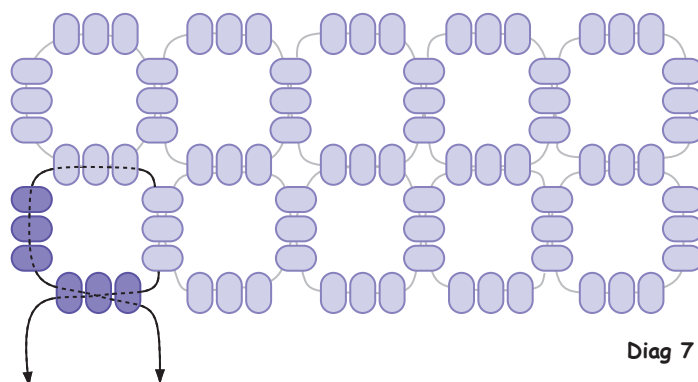
5. Take the right needle and pick up nine beads, take the left needle and pass through the last three beads picked up on the other needle, so that both threads cross over inside the beads. (Diag 5)



6. Take the bottom needle and pick up six beads, take the top needle and pass through the bottom beads of the next unit of the previous row and the last three beads picked up on the bottom needle, so that both threads cross over inside the beads. Repeat this step until the row is complete except for the final unit. (Diag 6)



7. To complete the final unit of the row, take the top needle and pass through the bottom beads of the next unit of the previous row. Pick up six beads with the same needle. Then pass the bottom needle through the last three beads picked up on the top needle, so that both threads cross over inside the bottom beads. (Diag 7)



Repeat steps 5, 6 & 7 until the desired length is complete,
working alternately from right to left then left to right.



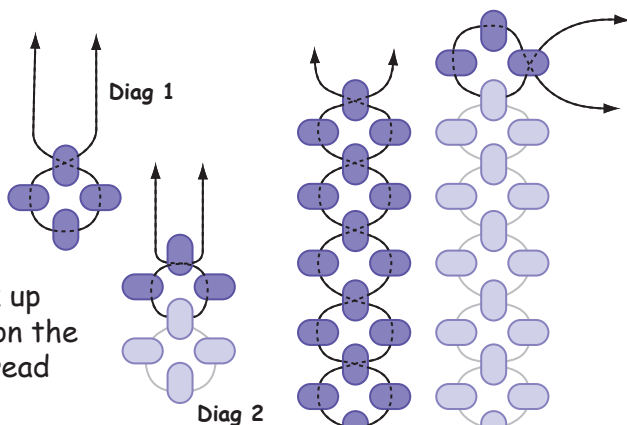
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Single Bead Right Angle Weave

FIRST ROW

1. Take 2-3 meters of thread and place a needle on each end. With the left needle pick up four seed beads, allow the beads to slide to the centre of the thread. Take the right needle and pass through the last bead picked up so that both threads cross over inside the bead. (Diag 1)



2. On the left needle pick up two beads, on the right needle pick up one bead. Pass the right needle through the last bead picked up on the left so that both threads cross over inside the bead. Pull the thread reasonably tight but expect it to show a little. (Diag 2)

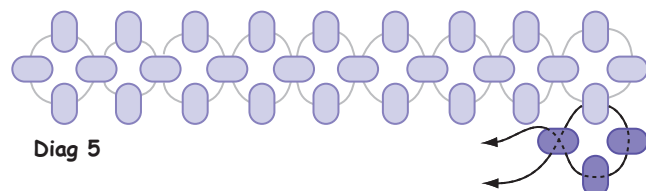
3. Repeat Step 2 until the desired length is achieved, except for the final unit. (Diag 3)

4. To complete the final unit of this row, pick up three beads on the left needle and pass the right needle through the last bead picked up on the left, so that both threads cross over inside the bead. (Diag 4)

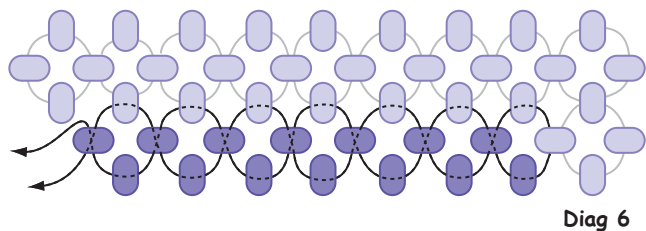
At this stage turn the work around so that you are working from right to left. The beadwork can also be pinned down to a pillow or mat to aid working if desired.

SECOND & SUBSEQUENT ROWS

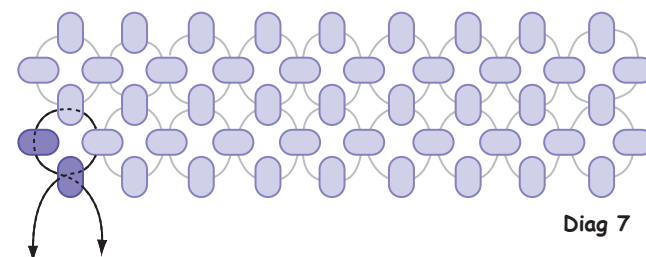
5. Take the right needle and pick up three beads, take the left needle and pass through the last bead picked up on the other needle, so that both threads cross over inside the bead. (Diag 5)



6. Take the bottom needle and pick up two beads, take the top needle and pass through the bottom bead of the next unit of the previous row and the last bead picked up on the bottom needle, so that both threads cross over inside the bead. Repeat this step until the row is complete except for the final unit. (Diag 6)



7. To complete the final unit of the row, take the top needle and pass through the bottom bead of the next unit of the previous row. Pick up two beads with the same needle. Then pass the bottom needle through the last bead picked up on the top needle, so that both threads cross over inside the bottom bead. (Diag 7)



Repeat steps 5, 6 & 7 until the desired length is complete, working alternately from right to left then left to right.