



# Smithsonian Associates

## Bead Weaving: Spiral Rope

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Hello! I'm looking forward to meeting you in the Spiral Rope Class. The links below are to some of the vendors that I trust online. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this list.

**Notes: Beads:** This technique can be done with a variety of bead sizes. I will be demonstrating one pattern, with the beads listed below, but will explain how to use different beads for different design effects. **Please use the shapes/sizes suggested below. It will help to keep us all on the same page as much as possible while we work.** When choosing colors, please note that the size 11/0, 8/0 and 6/0 will each create a spiraled line, like a candy cane. The delicas will appear on either side of the size 8/0 beads.

**Finishing:** The supplies include what you will need to make a loop and bead closure as the clasp. I will also be demonstrating how to use cones to finish the rope. I do not recommend purchasing cones before you have at least started your rope, since the diameter of the rope will vary depending on what beads you use.

Quantity	Item/Tool	Link to Supplier
1 color	<b>Size 11/0 Seed Beads</b> <b>Round, Main Color</b> <b>Approx 20 grams</b> <b>Please see note on pg 2</b>	<a href="#">Capital City Beads Czech</a> <a href="#">Capital City Beads Round Japanese</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems Czech</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems Round Japanese</a>
1 color	<b>Size 8/0 Seed Beads</b> <b>Round, Main Color 2</b> <b>Approx 20 grams</b>	<a href="#">Capital City Beads Czech</a> <a href="#">Capital City Beads Round Japanese</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems Czech</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems Round Japanese</a>
1 color	<b>Size 6/0 Seed Beads</b> <b>Round, Accent Color</b> <b>Approx 20 grams</b>	<a href="#">Capital City Beads Czech</a> <a href="#">Capital City Beads Round Japanese</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems Czech</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems Round Japanese</a>
1 color	<b>Size 11/0</b> <b>Delicas, Accent Color #2</b>	<a href="#">Capital City Beads Delicas</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems Delicas</a>

	<b>6-8 grams</b>	
1	<b>SuppleMax Illusion Beading Cord, .010 in (.25mm), Clear Monofilament, 164 ft (50 m)</b>	<a href="#">Amazon</a> <a href="#">Dick Blick</a>
1	<b>Hypo Cement</b>	<a href="#">Capital City Beads</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems</a>
1	<b>8mm Bead for clasp</b>	
1	<b>Beading Needles, Size 10</b>	<a href="#">Capital City Beads</a> <a href="#">Amazon</a>
1	<b>Beading Pad</b>	<a href="#">Capital City Beads</a> <a href="#">Fire Mountain Gems</a>
	<b>Other things from around the home:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• great lighting</li> <li>• magnification aid (like readers)</li> <li>• 3 toothpicks</li> <li>• Masking or painters' tape</li> </ul>

The weight of beads on this list make a single rope that is about 18" long. Alternatively, you could choose to make 1-2 braceleted instead.

Here's a rope in progress to inspire you! 😊

