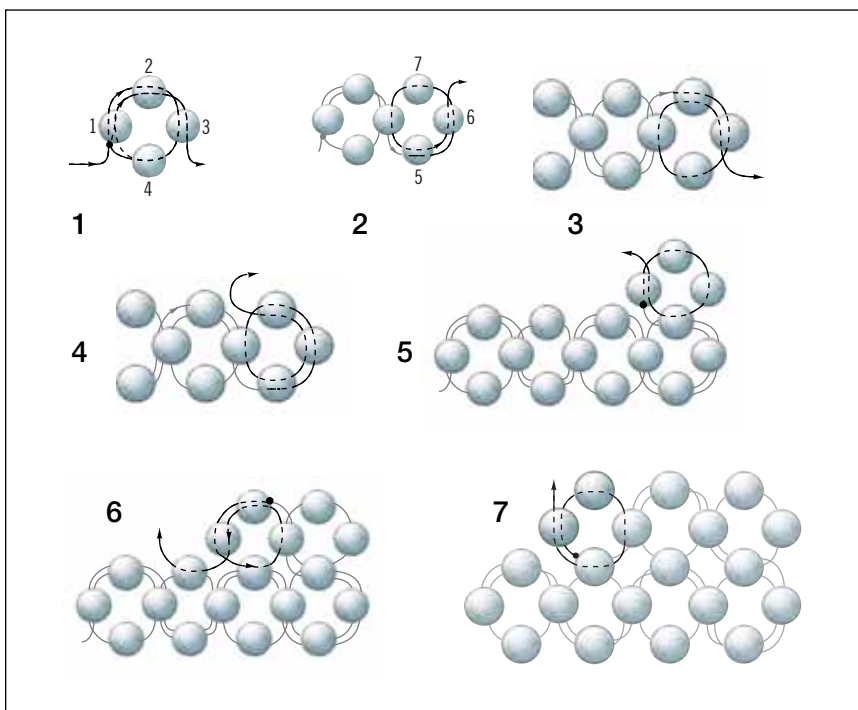
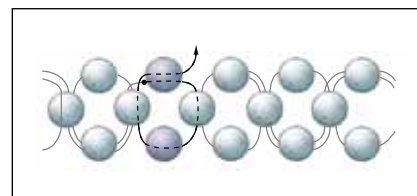


Right-angle Weave Basics



EDITOR'S NOTE:

Right-angle weave is often stitched as four-bead squares, but larger numbers of beads also work well. Start the first ring with a multiple of four beads, then stitch following the figure 8 technique shown here.



Right-angle weave

1 To start the first row, string four beads, and tie them into a ring. Go through the first three beads again.

2 Pick up three beads (#5, #6, and #7). Go back through the last bead of the previous ring, and continue through #5 and #6.

3 Pick up three beads, and go back through #6 and the first two new beads. Continue adding three beads for each stitch until the first row is the desired length. You are sewing rings in a figure 8 pattern, alternating direction with each stitch.

4 To begin row 2, go through the last three beads of the last stitch on row 1, exiting the bead at the edge of one long side.

5 Pick up three beads, and go back through the bead you exited in the previous step. Continue through the first new bead.

6 Pick up two beads, and go through the top bead on the previous row and the bead you exited on the previous stitch. Continue through the two new beads and the next top bead of the previous row.

7 Pick up two beads, go through the bead you exited on the previous row, and the first new bead. Keep the thread moving in a figure 8. Pick up two beads per stitch for the rest of the row. When you go back through, don't sew straight lines across stitches.

Tubular right-angle weave

When you are one stitch short of the desired circumference of the tube, connect the last stitch to the first stitch as follows: Exit the end bead of the last stitch, pick up one bead, go through the first bead of the first stitch, and pick up one bead. Complete the connecting stitch by retracing the thread path. Exit as shown above. In subsequent rows, you'll need to add only one bead to connect the ends.