## doodlebeads

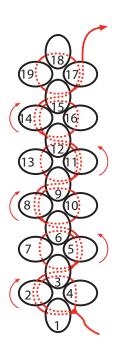
## Flat Right-Angle Weave

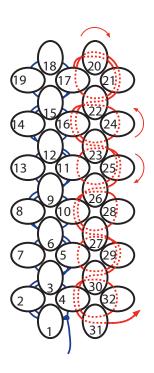
Right-angle weave works best with round or rounded donut-shaped seed beads; size 15°, 11°, and 8° are most popular. Bicones fit together nicely, too. When you learn RAW, note how the beads sit next to each in units of four, so their holes are at right angles to each other. Flat RAW thread paths work in circular movement, passing clockwise and counterclockwise as you add units. Always sew in a circular thread path for right-angle weave. Never cross through the center of a unit of 4 beads.

## TIPS from Leslie

• To picture how the beads should look, visualize this: If you drew a straight line through each bead hole in a single unit, you'd draw a square. Sewing with thread, you don't quite make a square thread path—it's circular.







- Leaving a 6" tail, string beads 1, 2, 3, and 4 and tie the 4 beads in a snug circle with a square knot between beads 1 and 4.
- **7** Sew in a clockwise movement through beads 1, 2, and 3.
- 3 String beads 5, 6, and 7 and sew counterclockwise through beads 3, 5, and 6.
- Pick up beads 8, 9, and 10. Sew clockwise through beads 6 and 8. Notice how with each new set of beads your stitch direction alternates from clockwise to counterclockwise.
- 5 To add a new row, exit a side bead, as in bead 17 shown here. Since you've exited from a counterclockwise stitch direction, string beads 20, 21, and 22 and pass clockwise through beads 17, 20, 21, and 22. Pass counterclockwise through bead 16 (to join your next new unit to the first row). String beads 23 and 24 and continue counterclockwise through beads 22, 16, and 23.
- 6 Stitch your next unit clockwise: string beads 25 and 26. Pass through beads 11, 23, then 25 and 26 again. Your next unit will be stitched counterclockwise.