



# Decorative Windssocks

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**NOTE: These windsocks are not for high wind areas.**

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# Introduction

These decorative windsocks are the idea and design of Tammy Chevalier. She is a very good friend of mine, who has done several beading jobs for me. She has even designed a pattern I have on the site, Paw Print (<http://www.facetedbeadart.com/animal-patterns.html>).

When she e-mailed me about this new idea, I was very interested in seeing it. She did not tell me what it was, I just got a wonderful surprise when it came in the mail.

Here is Tammy to tell you about it...

I had played with the idea of designing a beaded windsock all summer long. During the Halloween weekend, my family and I went camping. While camping, I had taken my graphing supplies with me. I started my first design with a patriotic theme. My family asked what I was creating and I showed them the pattern. They only commented that it did not look like a windsock. That is because the pattern is laying flat. Once the pattern portion is complete, the sides are brought together and tied together.

As you will see in the following instructions, it is quite easy and rewarding once completed.

**Please note:** For high wind areas, it is best to display indoors, preferable near a air vent so that the windsock will spin.

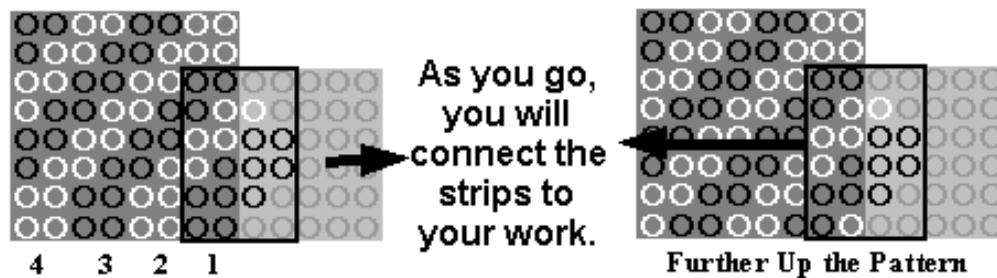
# Instructions

<http://www.facetedbeadart.com/instructions.html>

**Stitch:** Right Angle Weave (Here I will be using the 2 needle technique, but the 1 needle will works also.)

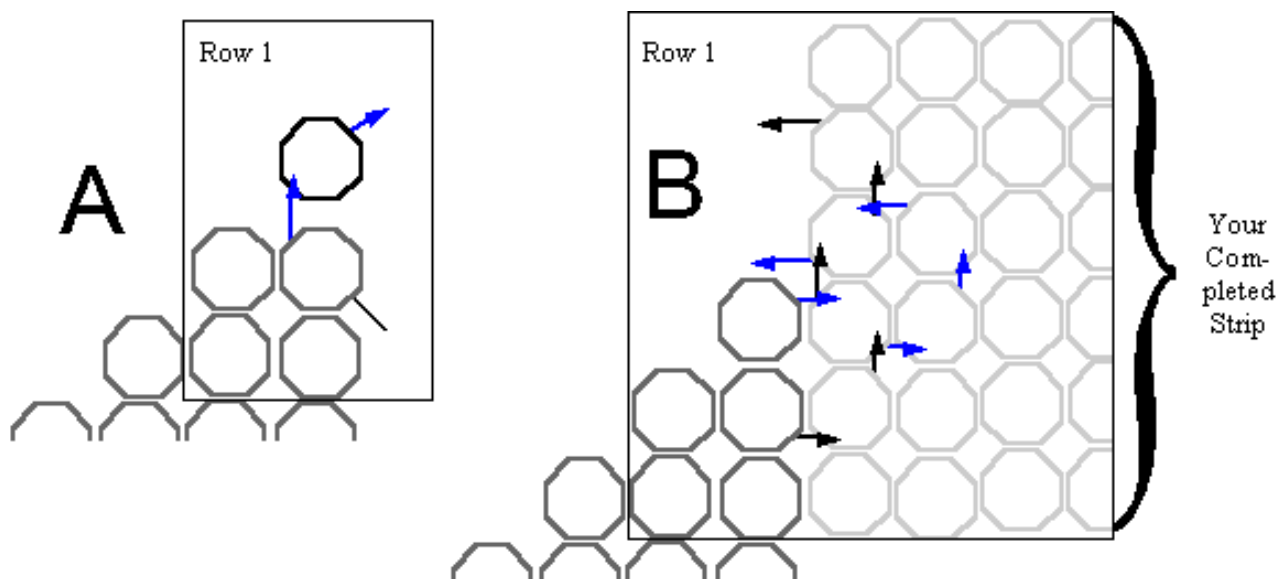
First, you will want to do the Strips. Starting at the botom, right corner work your way up to the top, left corner of each strip. (The rows for the first strip are all numbered for you. The remaining strips have just the first 3 rows numbered, but the rows are the same as the first strip.)

Now you are ready to begin the top. You will start adding the strips with Row 1. Please use the following instructions each time you are to add a strip...



The gray **circles** represent beads you will not be threading through. As you bead your work, you should be working your way up on the **black** rows. As you see above, you will continue up into your already finished strip.

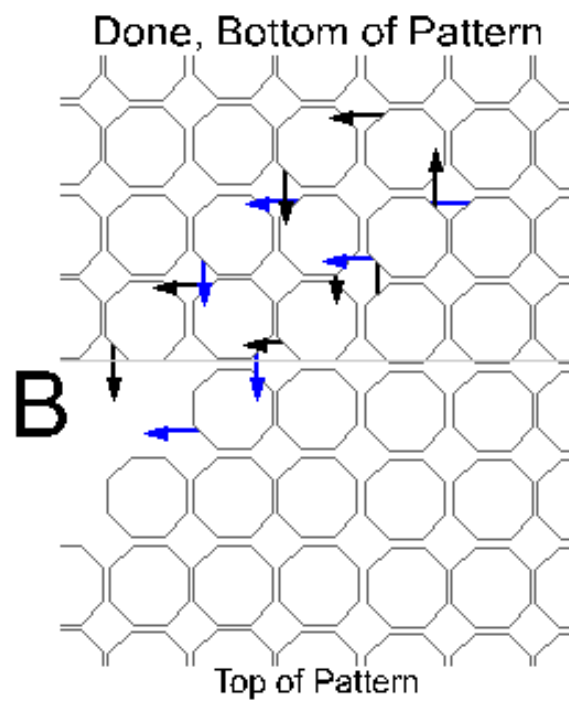
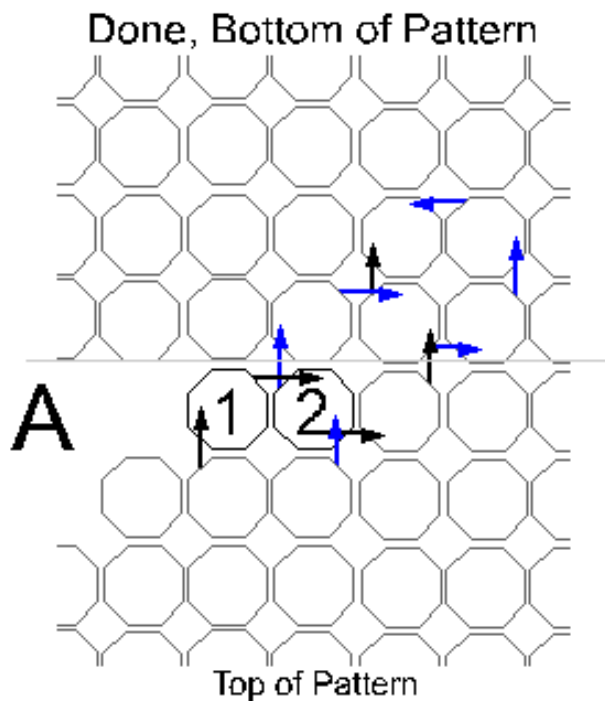
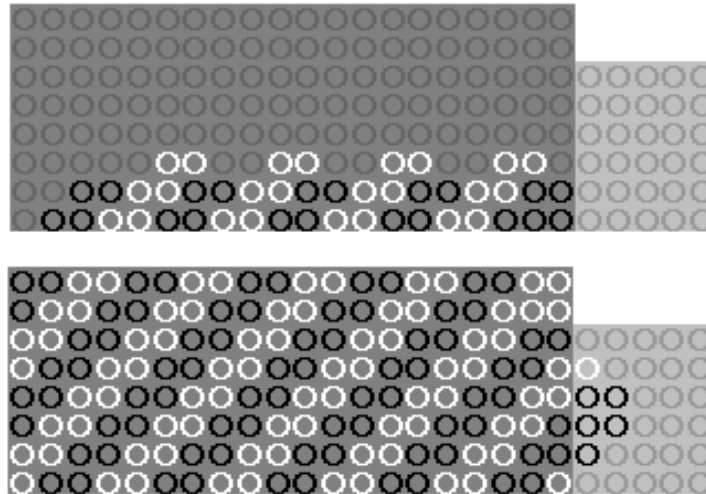
You will add one more bead to the **Right** string (**A**) and thread the Left string through the second to last bead on the top of your strip, cross both strings through the third to last bead (**B**) (be sure to keep your beads snug as you go) then turn (**B**) and work your way out. Now you are ready to add the first two beads of the next Row and continue as usual. (The boxed area shows you how Row 1 will look.)



**Once you finish adding all the strips**, and you start the Top of your pattern (right side of windsock), you will begin to connect the Top to the Bottom (Right to Left of windsock). So, instead of using the turn described in my book *FacetedBeadArt* with the Right Angle Weave, you will want to use the instruction listed below. (All references below will be to the pattern.)

You will bead the Top, Right Corner as usual, then when you come up on the next **black** row you will begin to add the Top of your pattern to the Bottom.

Add the last two beads of your row, and then continue threading up into the finished Bottom of your pattern (**A**). Then turn (**A & B**) and thread your way out (**B**). Now you will add the first bead of your new row and continue, repeating these steps each time you bring the Bottom and Top of your pattern together.



The hanger, take approximately 2' of fishing line, start at the top of the banner above one

strip. Pull about 8" through the first bead. Weave down in a zig-zag style through 11 beads. Turn right and weave through about 9 beads. Using 4 beads in a circle, weave the fishing line through about 3 times (this will secure the line and keep it from unraveling. Cut off excess.

Back at the top, string on 20 Crystal beads. Next string on a Black Barrel Swivel Interlock Snap SZ 7. (These can be found in the sporting department of any retail store.) Next string on an additional 20 Crystal beads. Directly across from where you secured the other end, secure this end using the same method. Pulling the fishing line through so that the last Crystal beads lays snugly against the top of your pattern.

Using a second strand of fishing line, repeat these steps so that you have an X crossing through your Barrel Snap.

