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PRECIOSA Bugles
351 22 0010; 4"

PRECIOSA Rocailles
331 19 001; 7/0

Preciosa Ornela introduces beads and seed beads
from the PRECIOSA Traditional Czech Beads™ brand.

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Christmas *bell*

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Preciosa Ornela presents a simple tutorial on how to make a Christmas decoration, a bell, which you can make from seed beads from the PRECIOSA Traditional Czech Beads™ brand.
The size of the bell depends on the size of the selected bugles and rocailles. If you use this procedure and the recommended size, you will end up with a ca 5 cm bell which can be used as a popular Christmas decoration or a pleasant gift. We wish you happy Christmas beadworking.

Materials and tools:

PRECIOSA Bugles (**B**)
351 22 001; 4" (ca 1 cm);
97070
Siam with a silver lining

78102
crystal with a silver lining; 70x

PRECIOSA Rocailles (**R**)
331 19 001; 7/0;
78102 crystal with a silver lining; 52x

PRECIOSA Imitation Pearls or
plastic ball
6 mm; 1x

8 mm; 2x

a soft 0.4 mm stringing wire (1 m); a 6 cm
eye pin (1x); snipping pliers; needle nose
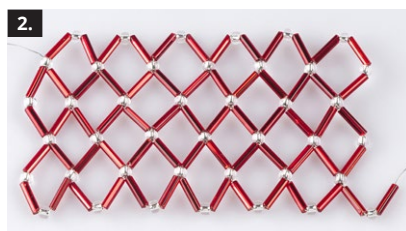pliers; flat nose pliers; a silver cord 20 cm

Difficulty: ●○○○○

Procedure:

Step 1:
Measure out 1 m of the recommended soft wire. Proceed according to the figure no. 1. Alternately string 1x **R**, 1x **B**, 1x **R**, 1x **B**, 1x **R**, 1x **B**, 1x **R**, 1x **B**, 1x **R**, 1x **B**, 1x **R**, 1x **B**, a total of 6x **R** and 6x **B**. Leave about 7 cm free at the end of the wire.
Thread the wire through the third strung **R**.
String 1x **B**, 1x **R** and 1x **B**.

Thread the wire through the first strung **R**. String 1x **B**, 1x **R**, 1x **B**, 1x **R** and 1x **B** and thread the wire through the seventh rocaille.

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Step 2:
Continue alternately adding 1x **B**, 1x **R** and 1x **B** or add 1x **B**, 1x **R**, 1x **B**, 1x **R** and 1x **B** to the edges of the individual rows and create a mesh (fig. no. 2).

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Step 3:
Connect the seed bead mesh together. Thread the wire through the outer **R** and add 1x **B** (fig. no. 3).

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Step 4:
Thread the wire through the top outer **R** and tighten it into a tight circle, cross both ends of the wire over one another, grasp them between your fingers or with the flat nose pliers and join them together; twist them together ca 4x and snip off any excess wire. Hide the ends of the twisted wire inside the bell (fig. no. 4). String an 8 mm round bead, 10x **R** and a 6 mm round bead onto the eye pin (fig. no. 5), pass the pin through the centre of the bell (fig. no. 6), add an 8 mm round bead and shorten the pin as necessary using the snipping pliers (fig. no. 7). Create a loop with the needle nose pliers, thread the silver cord through it and tie the ends together with a knot (fig. no. 8).

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