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Sealskin & Beaded Earrings *Tutorial*

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Beading Kit Includes:

- 1 pack of seed beads
- 1 roll of thread
- 2 beading needles
- 4 earring hooks
- 1 E6000 glue
- 2 leather squares
- 2 thick felt squares
- 1 black storage box

You will need:

- Scissors
- Jewelry Pliers (optional)

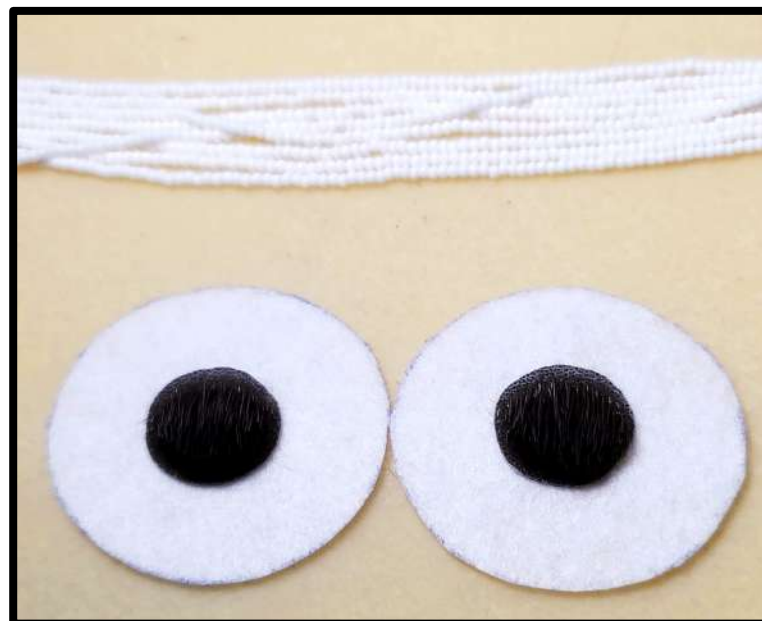
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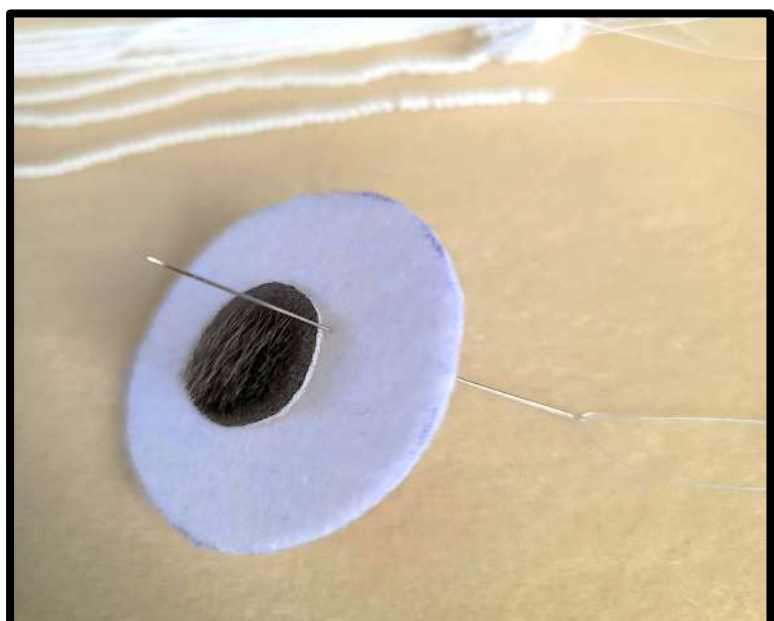
Steps 1- 6



Make sure you have all the supplies together. Add 4 feet of thread to both of the needles.



Glue the sealskin circle on to the felt piece. You may cut the sealskin if it is too big.



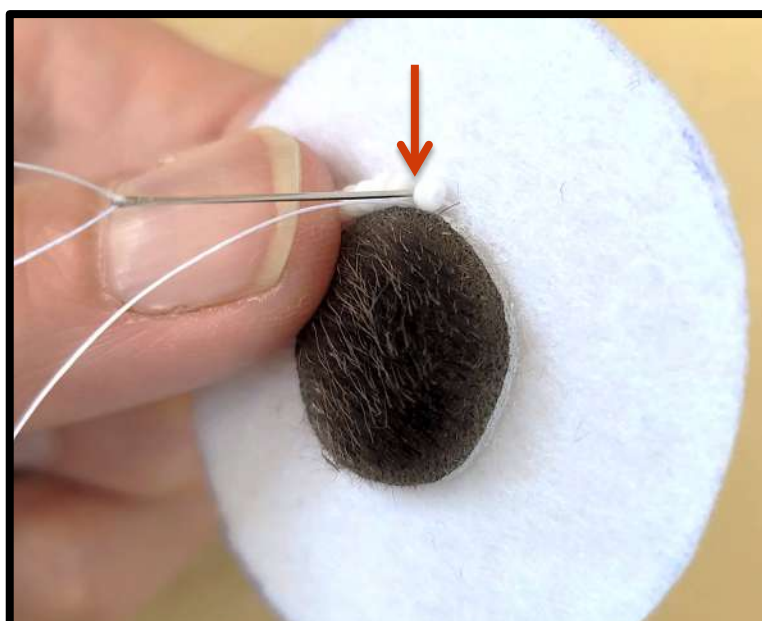
Tie a knot at the end of the thread in the 1st needle. Stick the needle in from the back



Add beads to the thread and make sure they go all around the circle. Do not overlap beads.



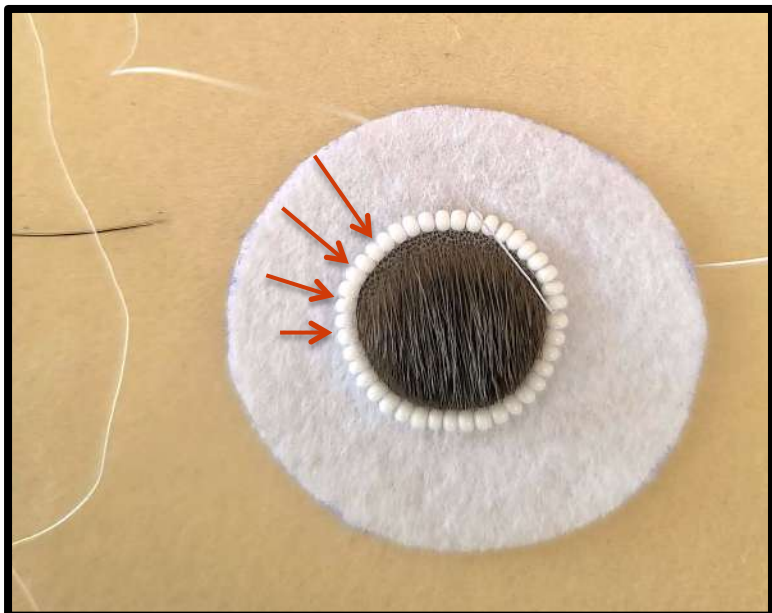
With your 2nd needle, stick it in from the back and just below the other thread.



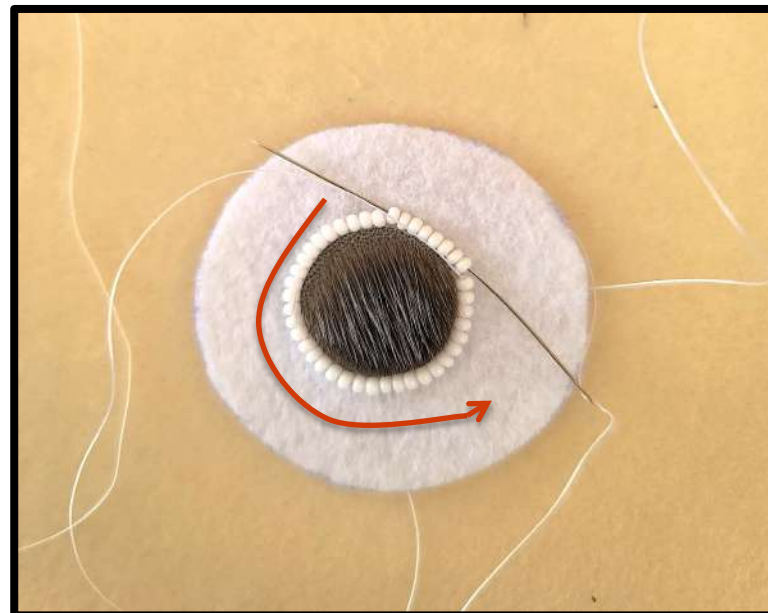
Pull out the thread and stick your needle from the front just above the other thread.



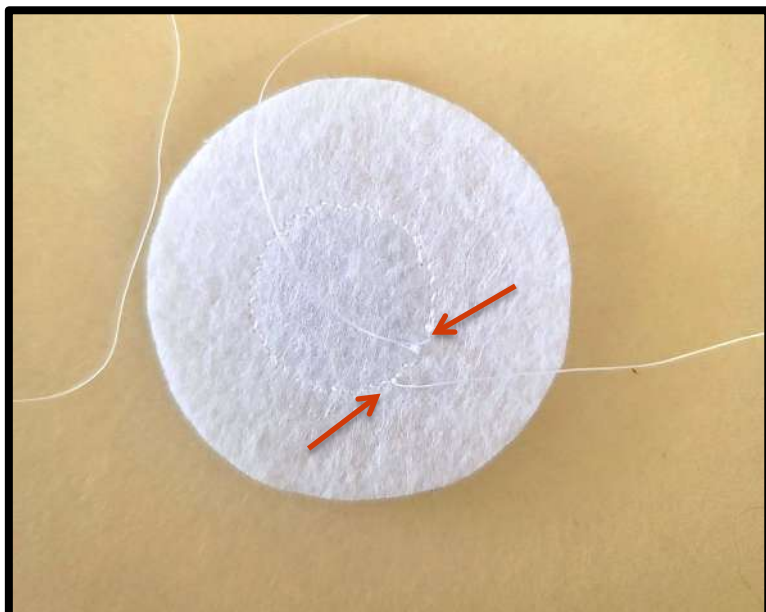
Steps 7-12



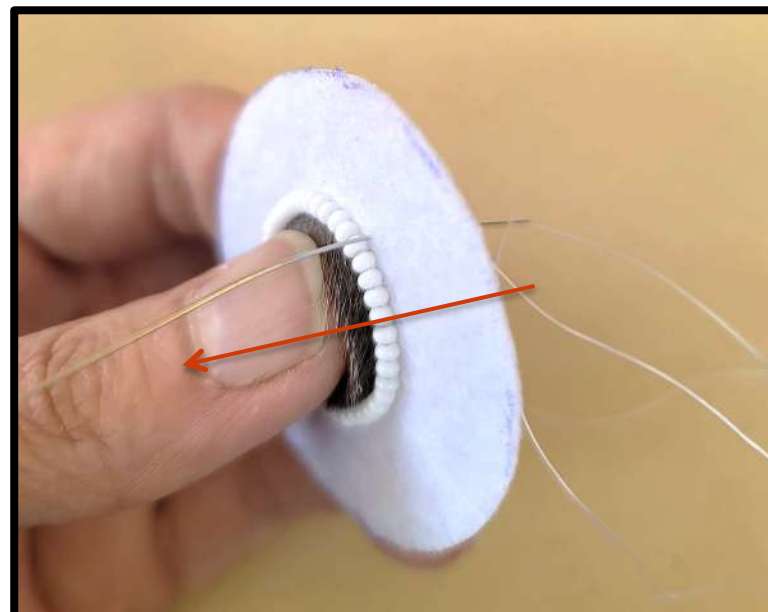
Skip one bead then repeat the steps from 5-6.
Repeat the steps until the whole circle is done.



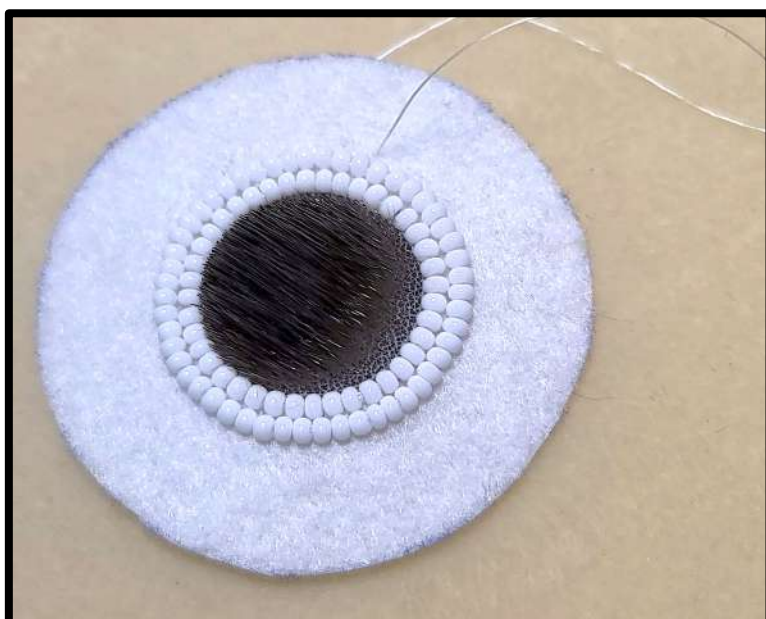
With the 1st needle, secure the circle by going through all the beads again.



Stick your needle from the front to the back.
Tie each thread with a knot. Do not cut.



Stick your needle in again... Repeat the same steps from 1-9 for the second row of beads.



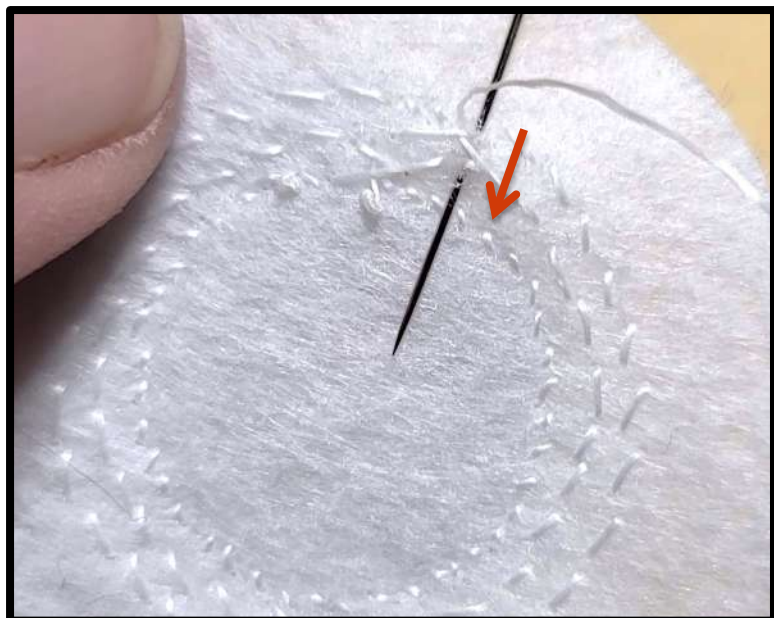
After completing the second row, repeat the steps from 1-9 for the third row of beads



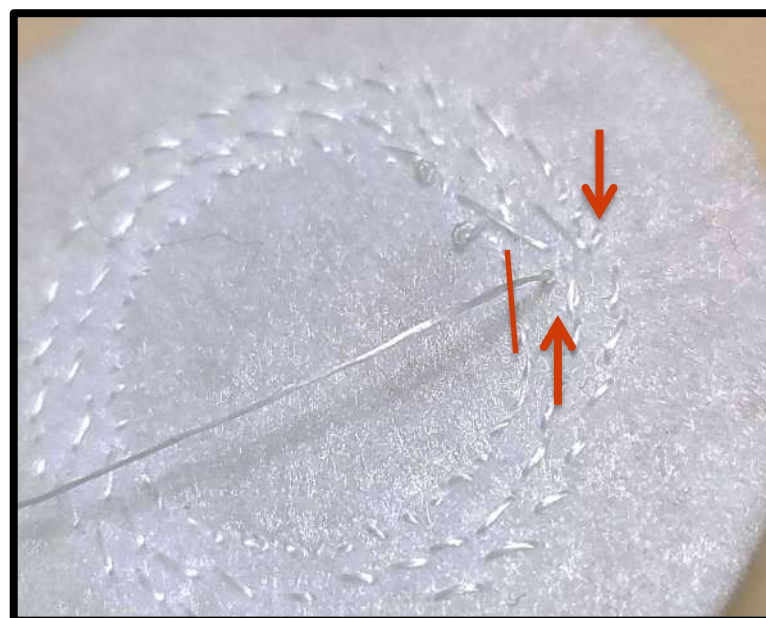
After completing the third row, stick your needle in above the thread and go in the back.



Steps 13-18



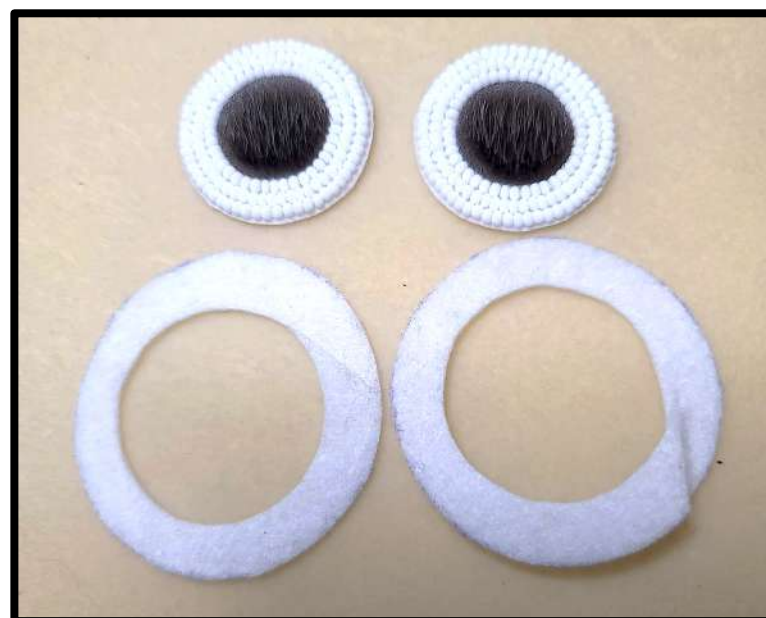
The 1st and 2nd needle should now be in the back. Stick your needle in closer to the middle.



Once they are closer in the middle, tie a knot on each thread and cut the rest of it off.



Repeat the same steps from 1-14 to make the other side.



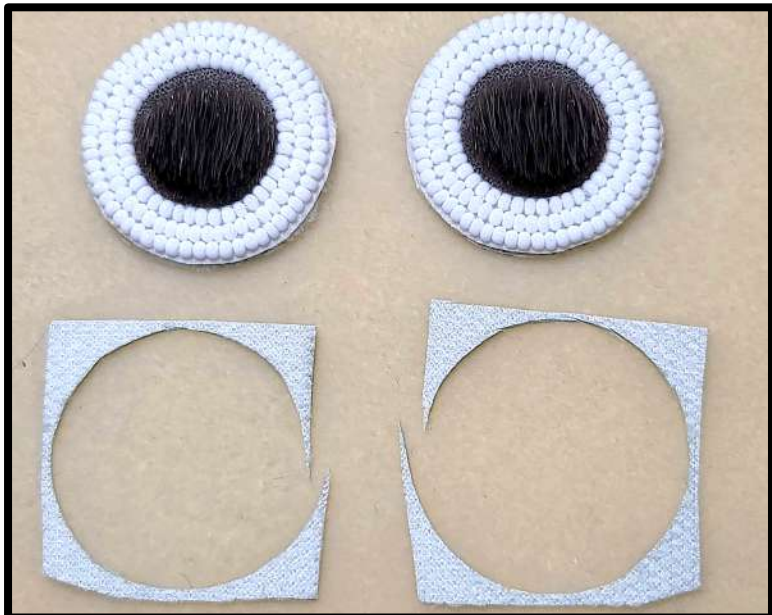
Cut the rest of the material to make a circle. Make sure not to cut any threads and knots.



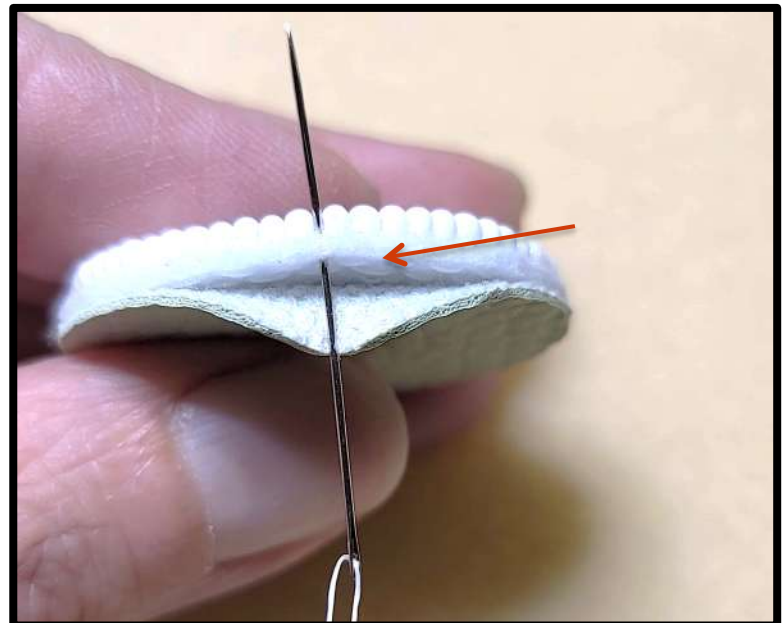
Take your two circles and make sure they fit in the leather squares.



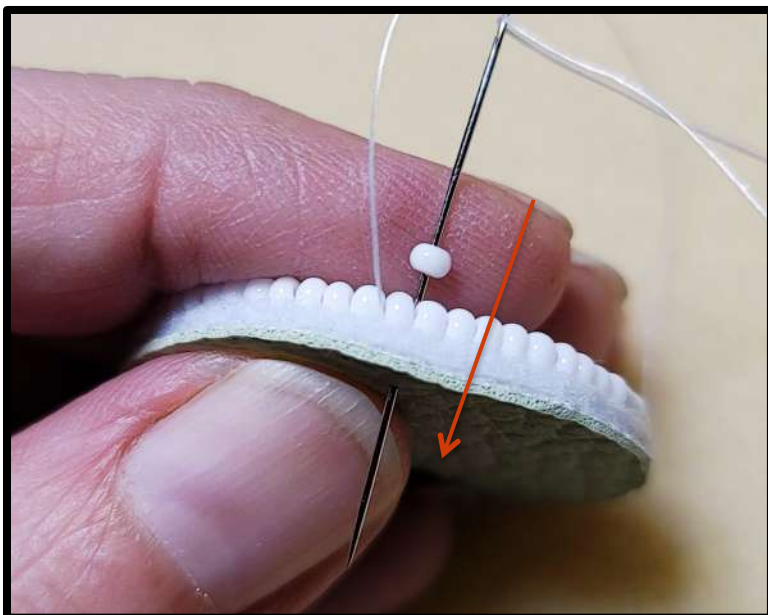
Add a little glue to the centre of the circles. Let them dry before moving on to the next step.



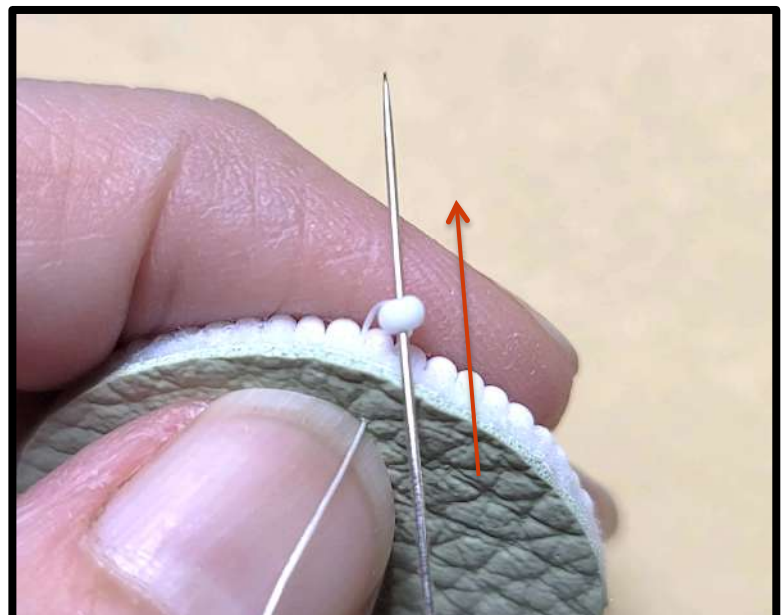
When the glue is dried, cut off the rest of the leather into a circle to match the top piece.



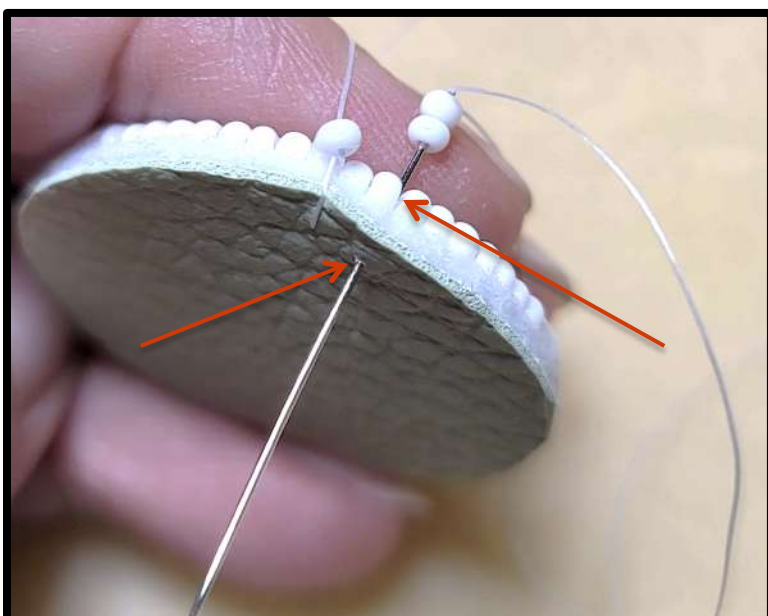
Stick your needle in from the inside so the knot is hidden. Go between the rows of beads



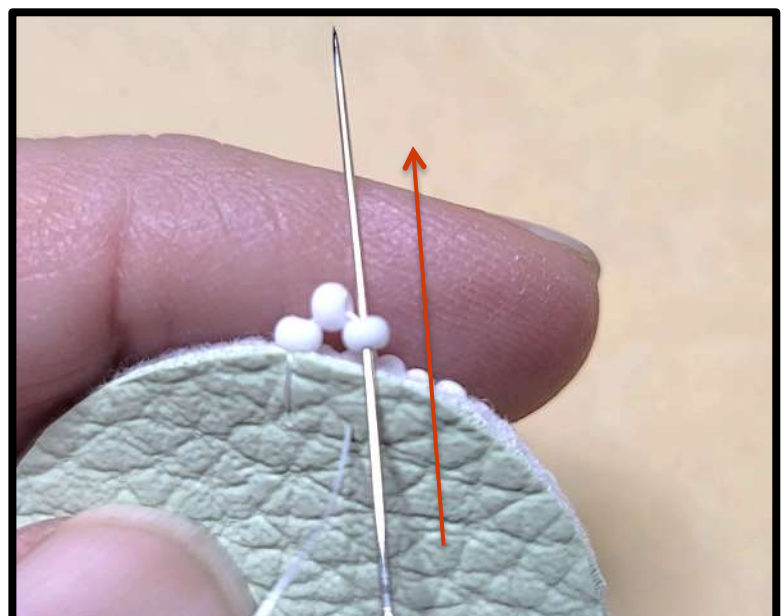
Take one bead and stick your needle in between the beads, and below the thread.



Stick your needle through the same bead that was just added. Make sure it goes upwards.



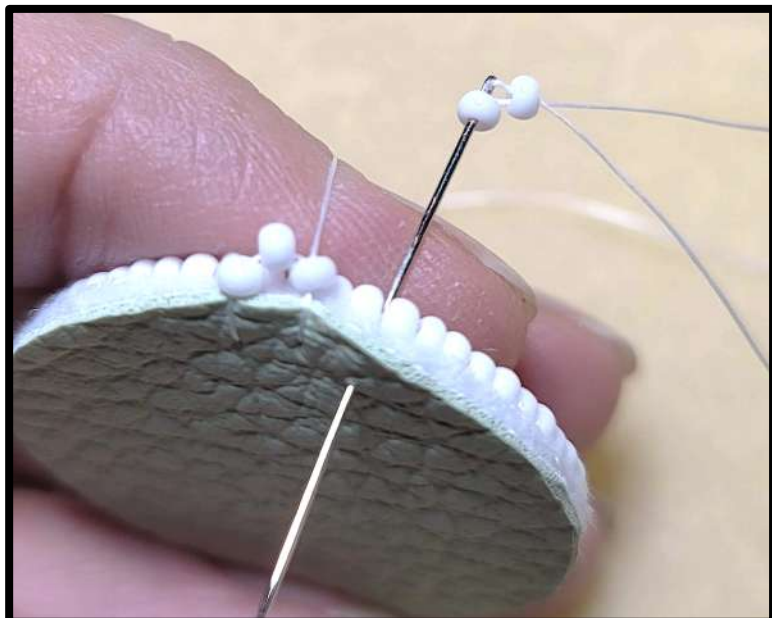
Take two beads, and stick your needle in between the beads, and below the thread.



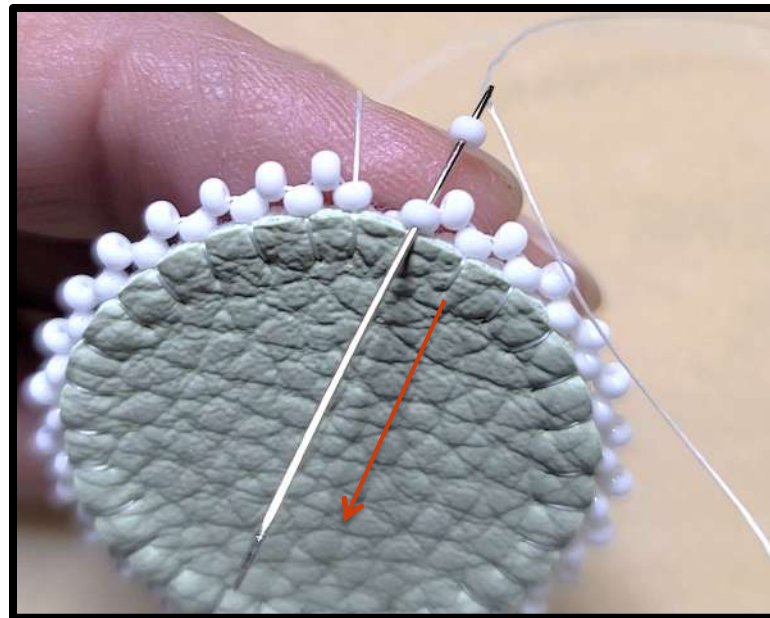
Take the needle and stick it through the last bead. Make sure it goes upwards.



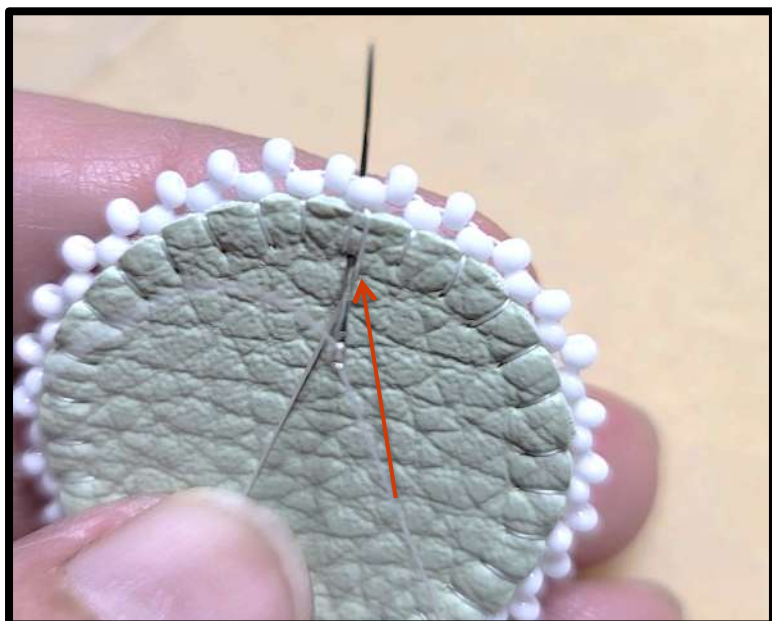
Steps 25-30



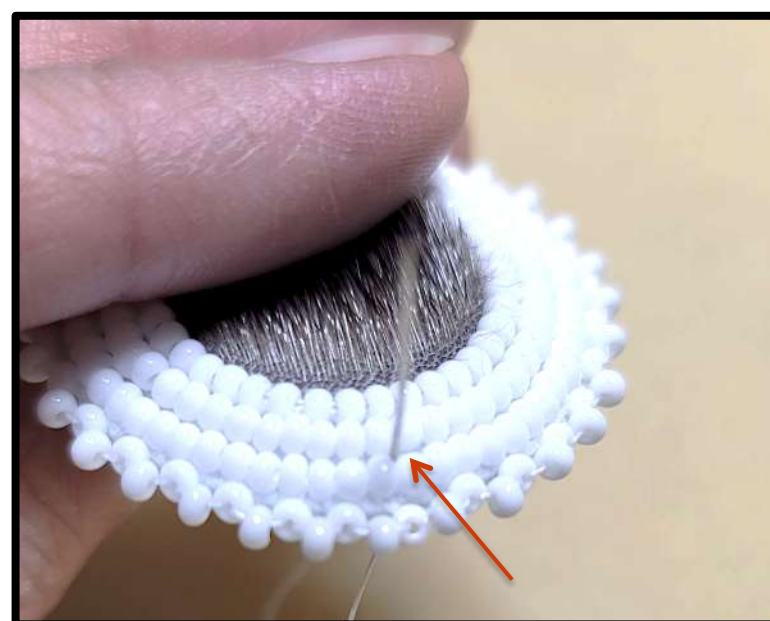
Repeat the same steps from 21-24 until you have made it around the whole circle.



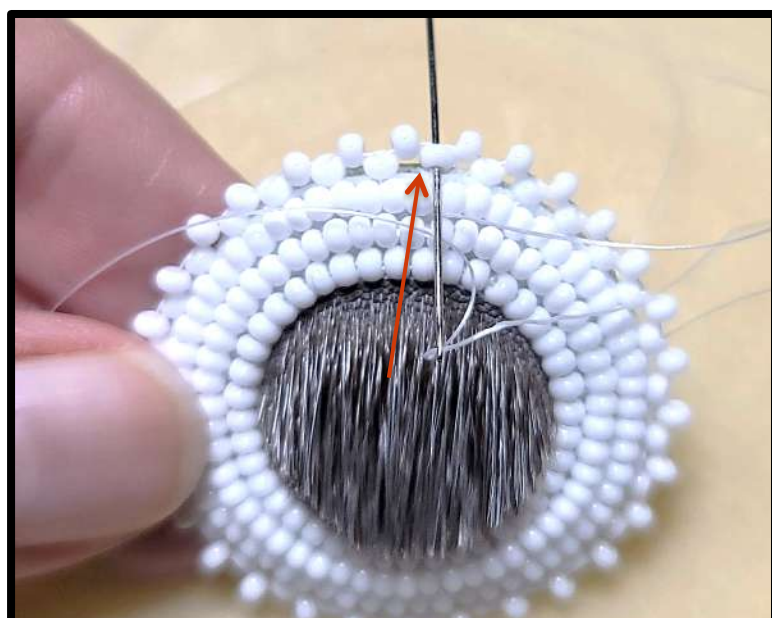
To complete the circle, take one bead and stick the needle in the first bead you started with.



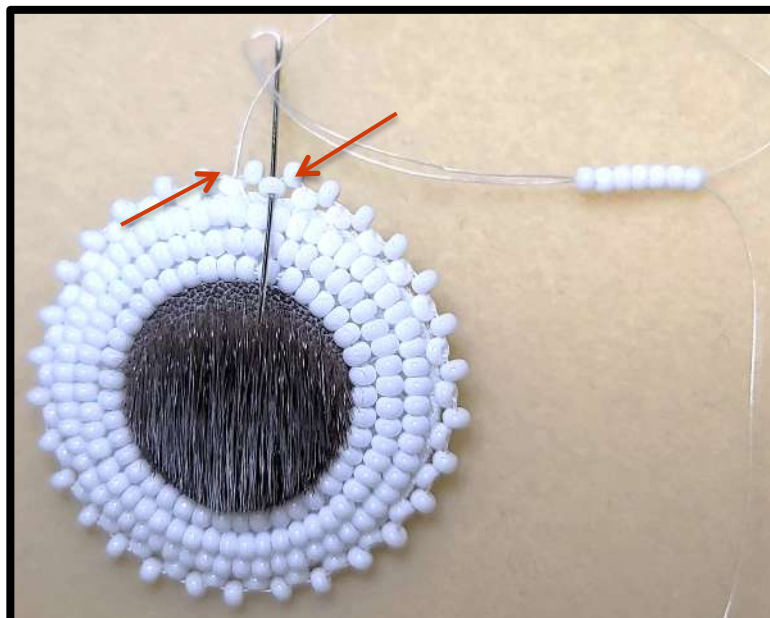
Pull the thread all the way out and then stick the needle in from the bottom to the top.



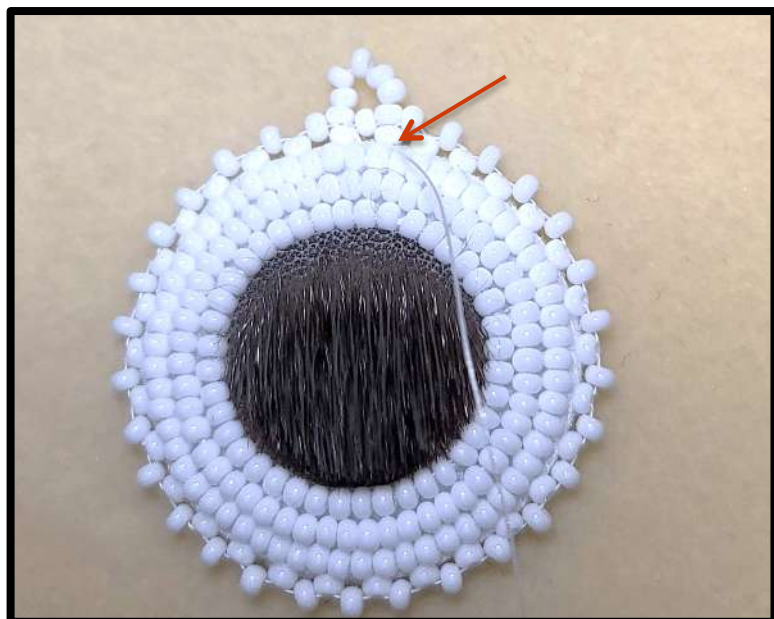
The needle should stick up between the second and third row of beads.



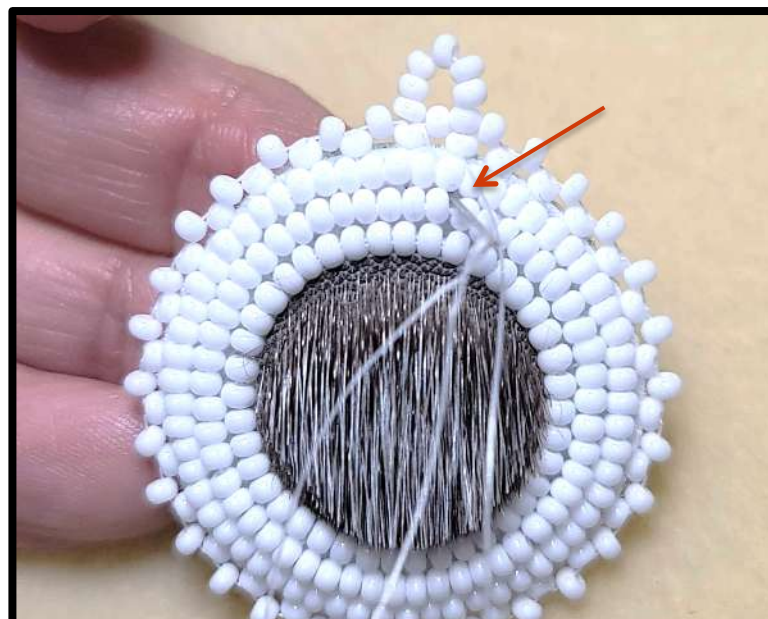
Stick the needle up the same bead you started with. The thread must hide between the beads.



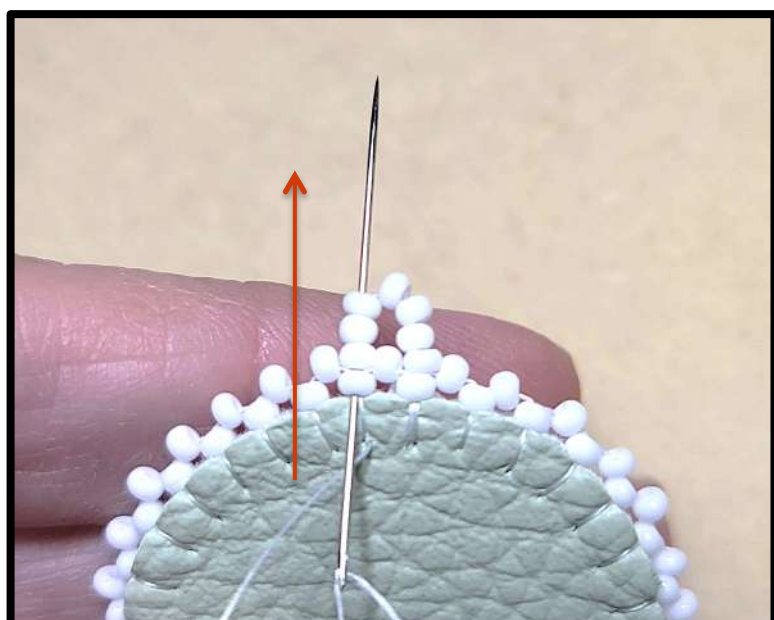
Take 7 beads, stick the needle through the next bead downwards.



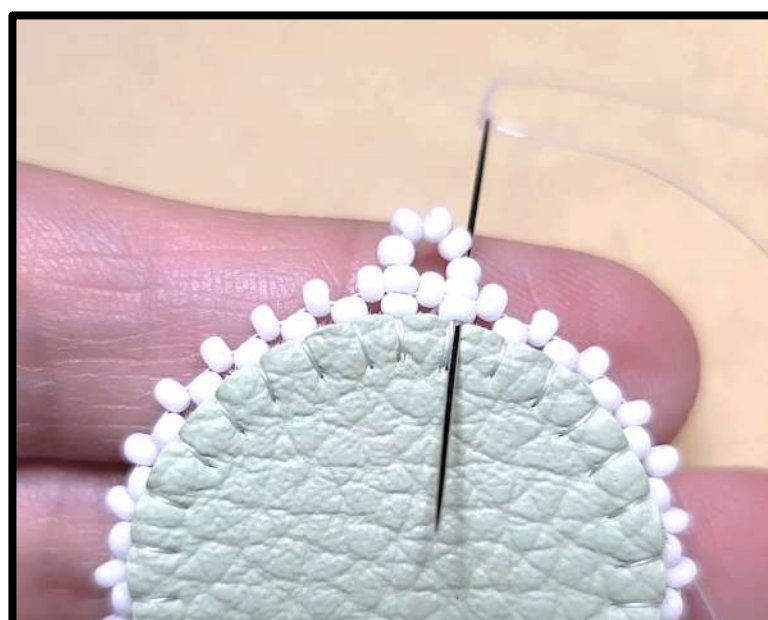
Go through another bead down and then pull the thread all the way out.



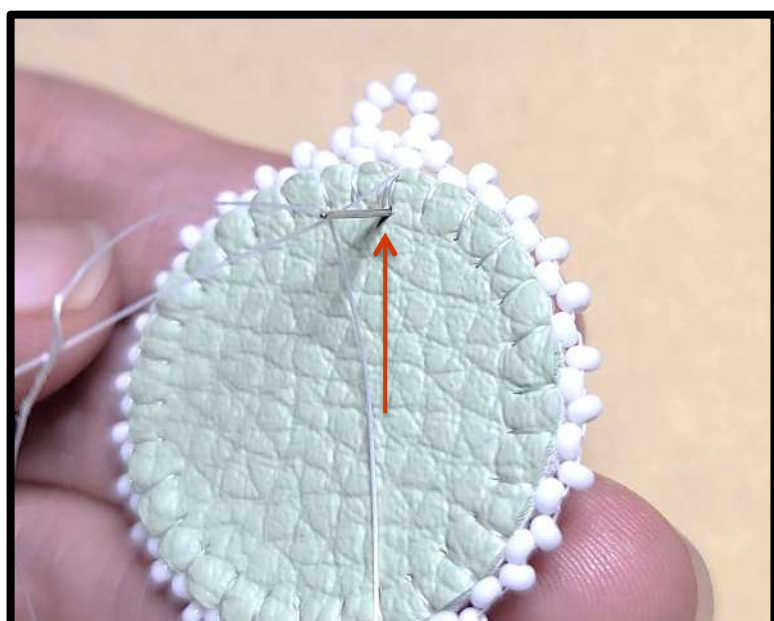
Stick the needle in from the top to bottom, between the third and second row.



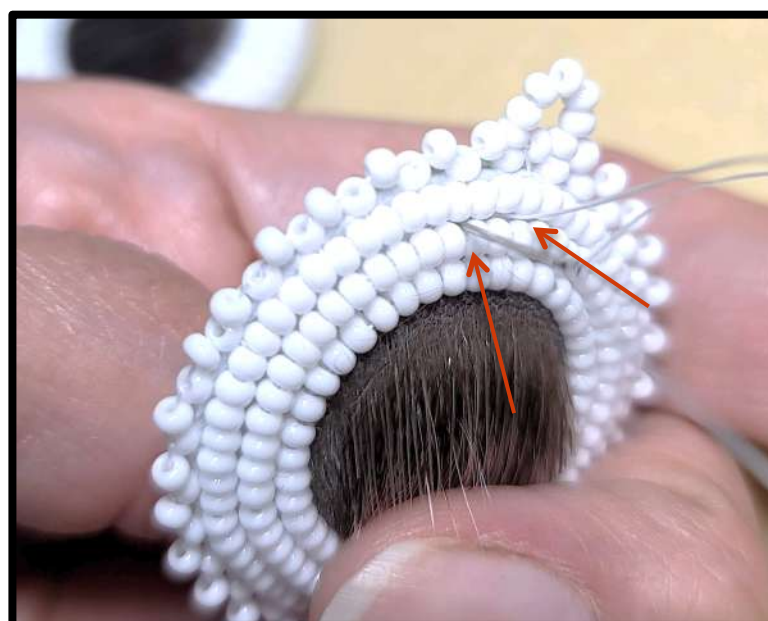
Pull the thread all the way out and then stick the needle upwards through the 9 beads.



After going through the 9 beads, pull the thread all the way out downwards.



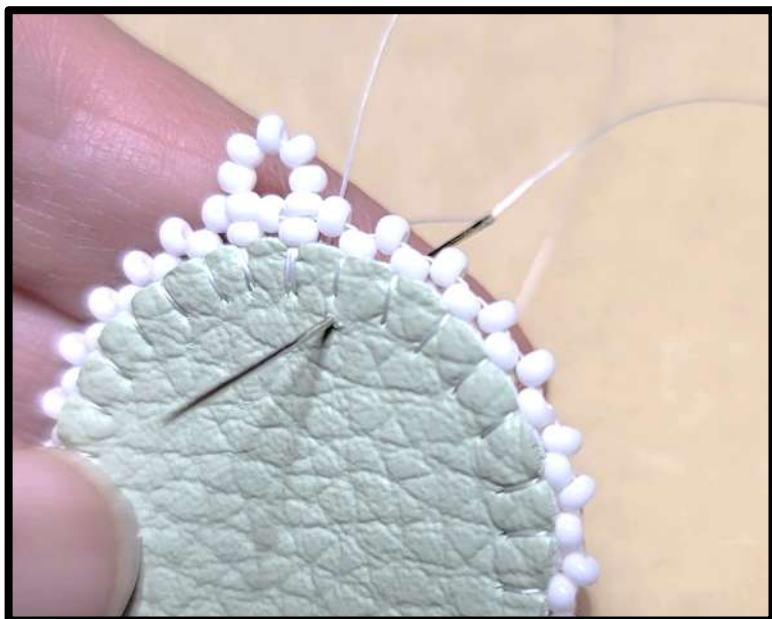
Stick the needle in from the bottom, and try to follow the same line the thread is on.



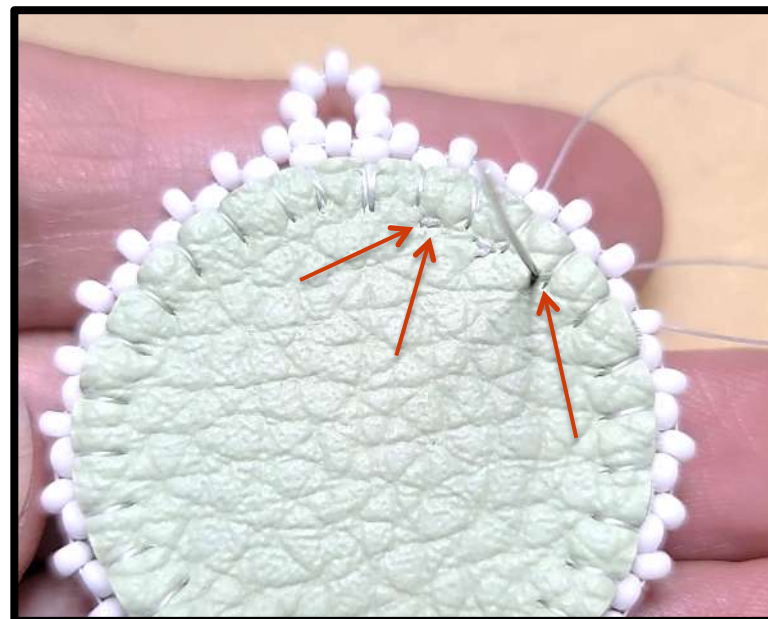
Stick the needle in from the top, just a little further from where the needle just came from.



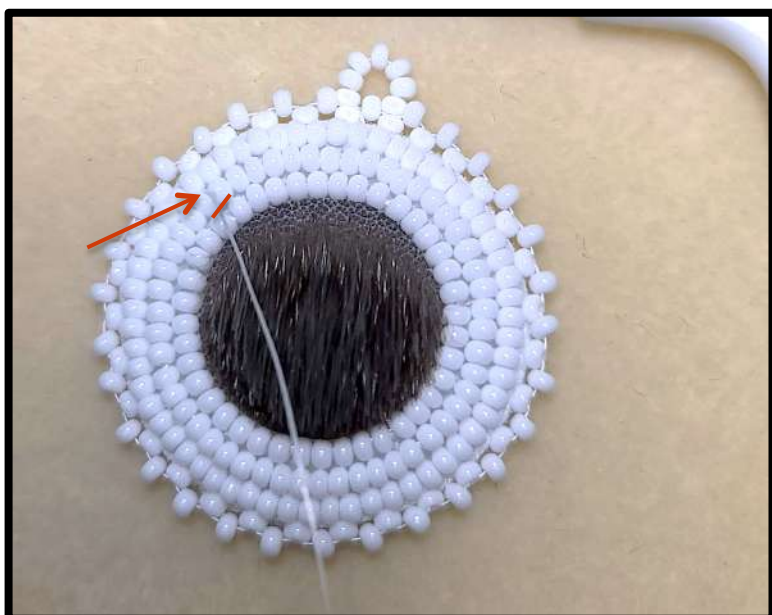
Steps 37-42



Pull the needle out all the way then tie a knot at the end of the thread. Do not cut.



Stick the needle up from the bottom just a dot away, then repeat the same steps from 35-37



Stop with the thread coming out of the top. Tie a knot at the end of the thread and cut it



Repeat the same steps from 20-40 to do the other side. Then the hooks can be added.



Open the circle with pliers or other tools by twisting it to the side, then close it tightly.



Repeat step 41 on the other side and ensure they are secured. The earrings are done!



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