

Mini-Tutorial for Looming with Czech Mates
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What you'll need:

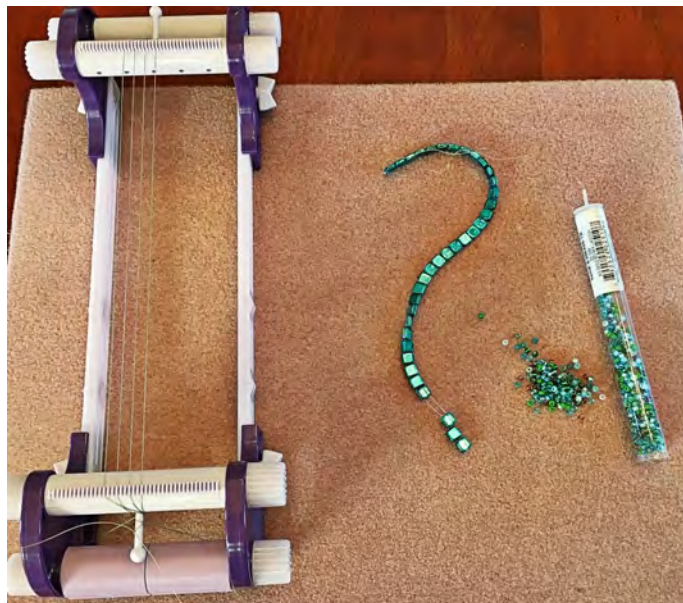
8/0 Seed Beads

Czech Mates 6mm or Tila Beads 5x5

Strong Thread (I used Wildfire, 10lb) , Fireline would also work, or possibly Micro C-Lon.

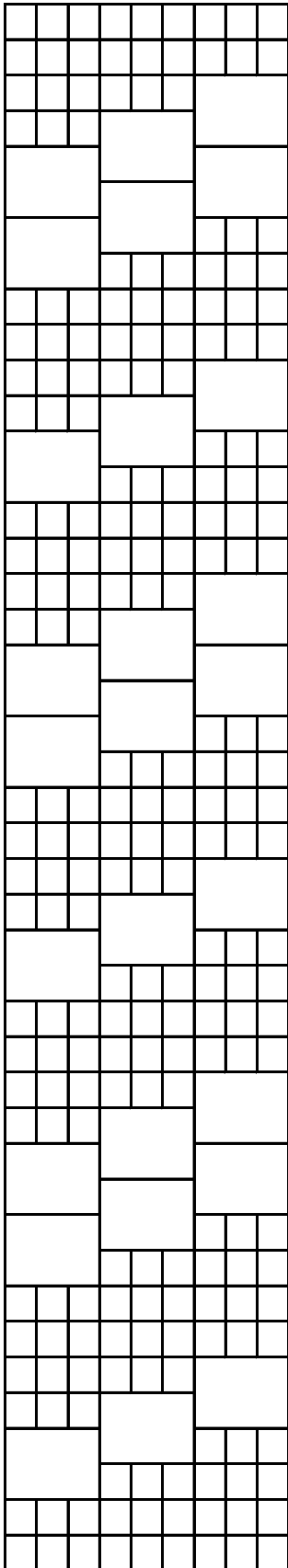
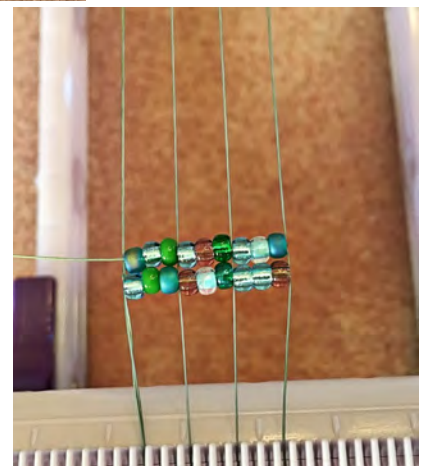
A beading Loom and needle (any loom type).

Thread your loom with 4 warp threads, spacing each column wide enough for a Czech Mate (or Tila).
String two loomed rows of 8/0 seed beads, three seed beads per column.



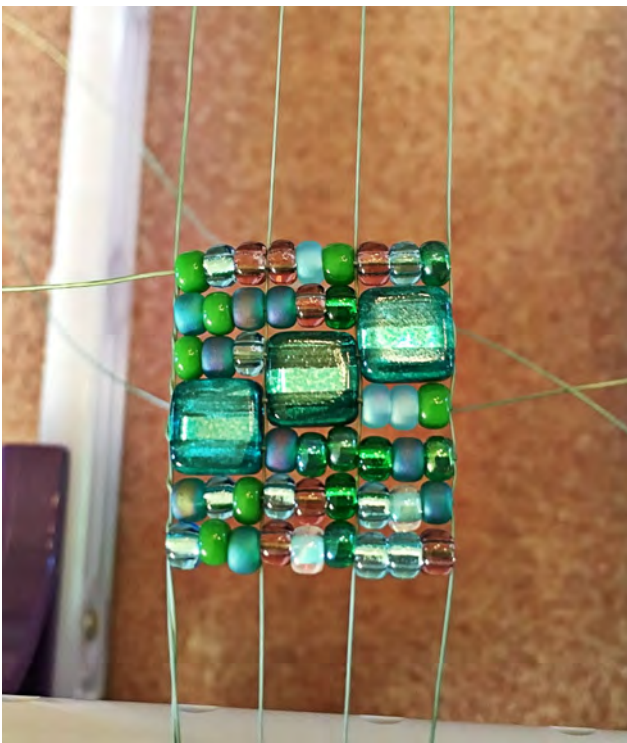
What I used: Miyuki 8/0 seed bead mix Lagoon

Czech Mates Tiles in Mirror Teal. I placed them with mirror side to the back.





Loom your first Czech Mate (or tila) bottom hole first, followed by six seed beads. The next row, go through the top hole of the first Czech Mate, add a second Czech Mate (bottom hole), and three seed beads. The row after that, add three seeds, go through the 2nd Czech mate (top hole), and add a third Czech Mate (bottom hole). The next row will have six seeds and go through the top hole of the last Czech Mate. Next, add two rows of just seed beads.



Refer to loom pattern: the next rows start the same, but add an additional set of three Czech Mates above the first.





Continue on to desired length and weave in tails. There are lots of ways you can finish a loomed piece, but for this one I used a 20mm Nunn Design end tube. Other methods include sewing a button loop and button, or basket-weaving c-lon into warps and gluing an ultra suede closure. There is a Beadshop tutorial for that—its excellent.

Finished dimensions of the pictured is about 5". I made it for a friend's tween that loves mermaids :)

