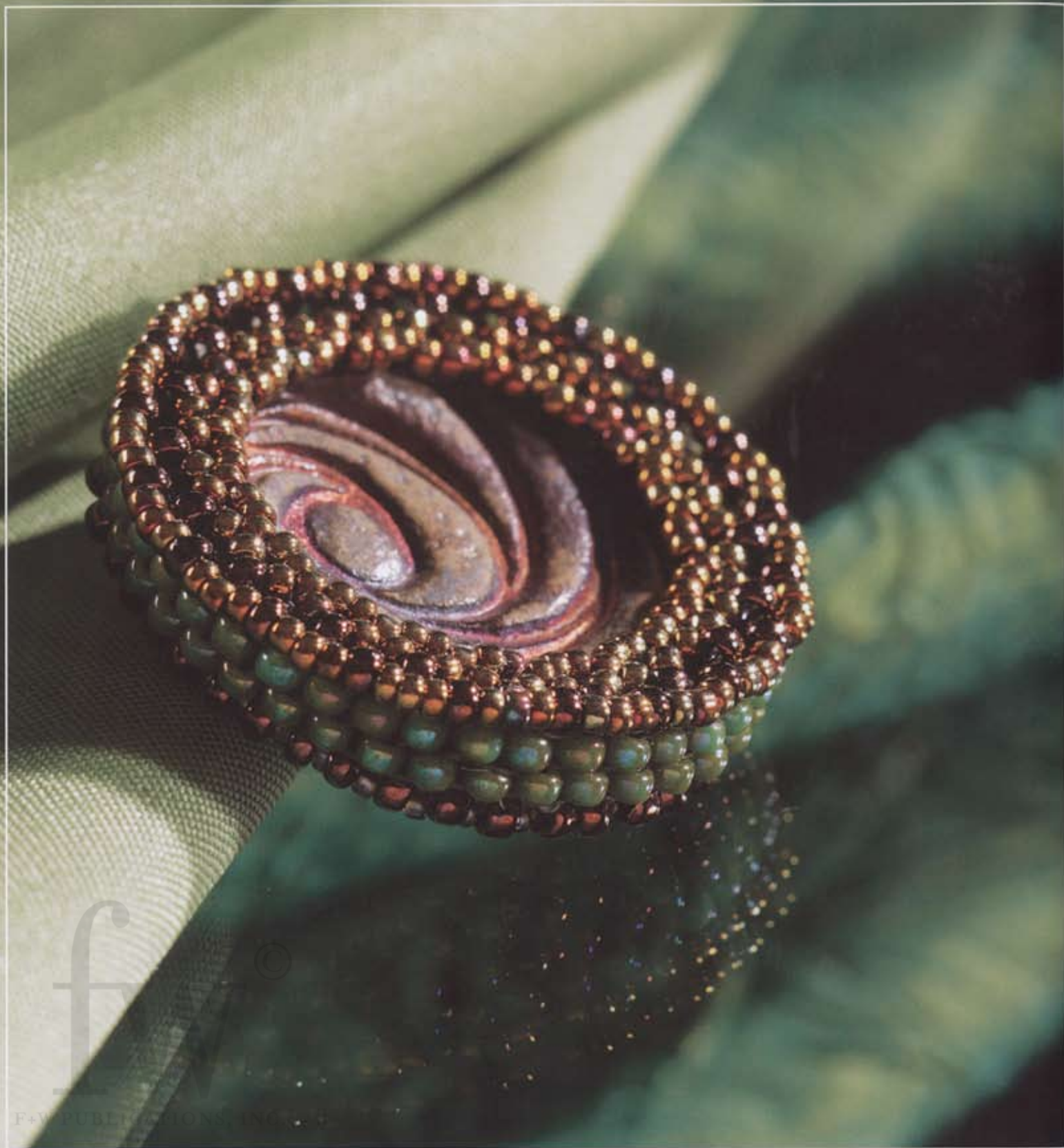


golden spiral button



Finished Size: approx. 1½" (3.8 cm) diameter
Skill Level: Intermediate

A beautiful clay button is enhanced by delicate beadwork and added coloring.

MATERIALS

Round clay button, 1" (25 mm) with a ⅛" (3 mm) flat rim
4 g green size 11 seed beads
4 g metallic burgundy size 11 seed beads
4 g red/gold-toned size 15 seed beads
4 g brown/gold size 15 seed beads
Size B beading thread
Size 12 beading needle

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Step 1 *Making the peyote stitch band and the first row of decrease beads*

Using a 40" (102 cm) length of thread and green beads, make a two-bead peyote stitch strip long enough to fit around the button. Close the strip into a circle by weaving in and out of the beginning and end and tying the working thread and tail into a square knot. Slide the bead circle onto the button. Pass through the green beads as shown, adding a burgundy size 11 bead to the top and bottom of the beaded strip (Figure 1). Repeat around a second time so there is a burgundy bead between each pair of green beads on both the top and the bottom.



Figure 1

Step 2 *Decreasing around the top of the button*

Pass through one of the burgundy beads on the top of the button. *String three red/gold size 15 beads, skip the next burgundy bead, and pass through the next burgundy bead (Figure 2).



Figure 2

Repeat from asterisk around. Pass through two beads of the first three-bead set, **string two red/gold beads and pass through the second bead of the next three-bead set (Figure 3). Repeat from double asterisks around. Pass through this round several times to tighten it.

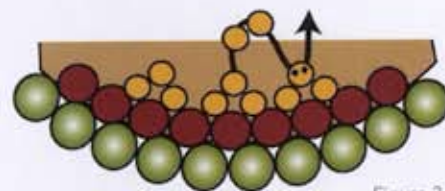


Figure 3

Pass through adjacent beads to the burgundy beads at the edge so that the thread is coming out one of the beads you skipped in the first repeat. ***String three red/gold size 15 beads, pass through the next burgundy bead skipped in the first repeat (Figure 4). Repeat from triple asterisks around. Pass the thread down to the burgundy beads on the bottom of the button.

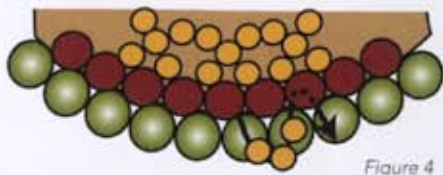


Figure 4

Step 3 *Decreasing around the bottom of the button*

Working in the burgundy beads on the bottom side of the button, stitch three rows of peyote stitch using the brown/gold size 15 seed beads. After the last row, pass through the last row of beads only, not the previous row, and pull tightly to tighten the beading around the button. Weave in ends.



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