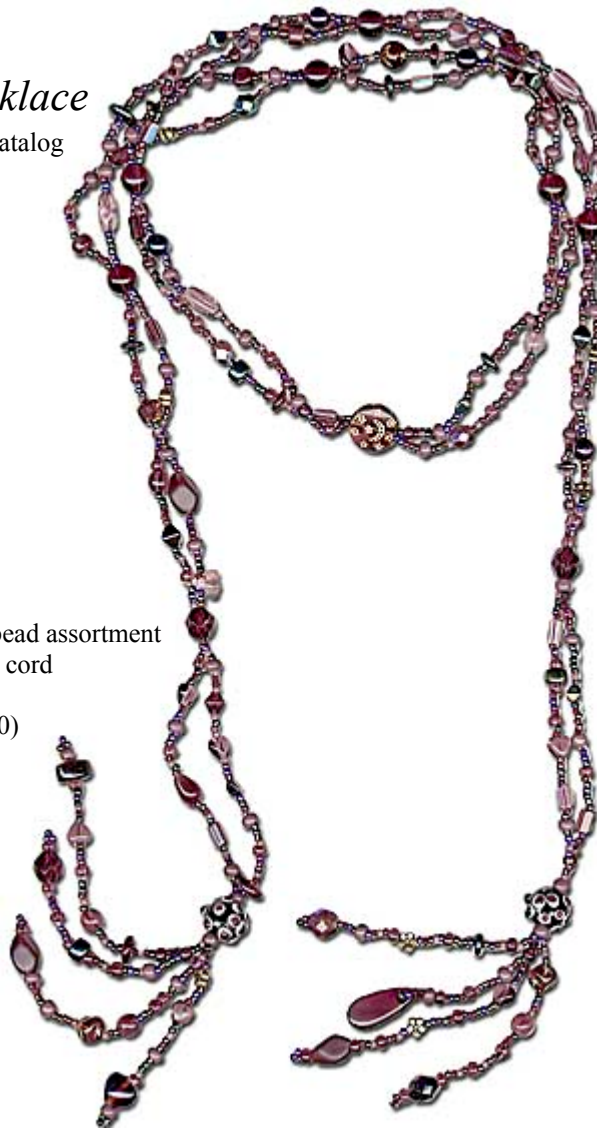


Amethyst Glass Lariat-Style Necklace

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Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Name</u>
1	#45-109-09	"Iris' Garden" designer bead assortment
1	#61-319-09	Purple size "E" silk bead cord

Tools: Beading needles, such as size 10 (#65-000-10)

To make this design:

1. Cut 4 pieces of silk approximately 50" long each. Set three pieces aside.

NOTE: Lariats vary in length from 36-65" – the choice is yours. The finished length of the lariat pictured is approx. 40".

2. Thread needle onto one piece of silk thread.
3. String about 2-4" of beads onto the thread, ending with three size-11 seed beads. String back through the beads, except for the last 3 seed beads.
4. Pull the thread tight, so the 3 seed beads at the end form a nice triangle.
5. Tie a knot somewhere along the 2-4 inch section to secure.
6. Add a large focal bead, then continue stringing seed beads and larger beads from the designer mix.
7. Add a focal bead about every two inches.
8. Continue adding beads until you reach a desired length. Add another large focal bead, identical to the first, approximately 2-4" from the end. String on 2-4" of beads, again ending with 3 seed beads. String back through the last 2-4" except for the seed beads, and secure with a knot.
9. Repeat steps 1-5 with your second piece of silk thread. Thread needle through the first focal bead and continue to add beads from the mix. String second thread through each of the two-inch-spaced focal beads on the first strand.
10. With the third piece of silk, string another short segment of beads (repeating steps 3 & 4). Then string the thread through all the beads of one of completed lariat strands. thread the fourth piece of silk through the completed strand for additional strength of the finished piece and more dangles/fringe at the ends.
11. Repeat step 8. You now have a two-strand lariat, connected together at the focal beads.