



## Bedecked and Bejeweled Pin Cushion

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Start with the “lonesome”, single flower you created in the **DESIGNER DIAMOND™** Special Technique #9 Taper Stitch. Add some jewels to make a pincushion fit for a queen!

### Sewing Supplies:

- HUSQVARNA VIKING® DESIGNER DIAMOND™ sewing and embroidery machine
- Maxi Bead Foot 412701045 (6mm beads)
- Mini Bead Foot 412701145 (4mm beads)
- Clear 2-3mm Embellishment foot 413030445
- Narrow Zipper Foot 412565745
- 6” square with Taper Stitch Flower
- 6” square of fabric for back
- 2/3 yard beaded trim
- Seed beads and cut glass beads (see below for size)
- Polyester sewing thread
- Cotton sewing thread
- Sulky polyester invisible thread
- Bobbin thread
- Hand Beading Needle
- Pictogram Pen
- Fiberfill



## Beads:


1. To determine the size of beads to use, string a few beads and “run the foot” over them. There are three different sizes of beading feet to accommodate the different sizes of beads. The beads need to slide freely in the groove on the underside of the foot. We strung pink and green beads alternately.
2. Begin by stringing a few beads. Put the first bead on the needle on a long double thread of polyester sewing thread. We are using polyester thread for this because of the strength of the thread. Go back through the first bead as shown, to “tie off” the end. String four 4<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>” long strands.



3. Thread with Sulky polyester invisible thread on top and bobbin thread in the bobbin.

4. Touch Start Menu . Select Menu F . Select F1:11 .

5. Because we are using invisible thread, touch SET Menu . Adjust the tension one full number lower

6. Touch Stitch Width . Move the handwheel towards you until it moves to the left, over the bead. Adjust the width so that it clears the bead.

7. Touch **Speed -**. Adjust the speed to the medium setting.


8. Using your Pictogram Pen, mark a line on each side, 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>” in from the edge of the 6” square of fabric.

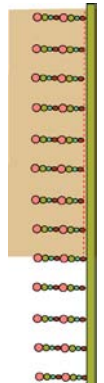
9. Stitch a row of beads on each marked line. Keep the beads out of the <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>” seam allowance.



10. Place the next string of beads under the foot and align the edge of the foot with the first row of beads as shown. Stitch the remaining two strings of beads in place.

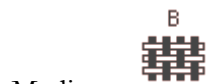
## Finish the Pin Cushion:

1. Place the beaded trim with the beads towards the center of the embroidered top. Snap on your Narrow Zipper Foot. Because the Narrow Zipper Foot is “narrower” it makes getting right up to the beads, easy! Select A1:1 , Left Needle Position Straight Stitch. Stitch “next to” the tape, securing the beads in place as shown. This row of stitching will be used, to keep the final row in the correct place. At the corners, snip into the tape, to allow it to turn the corner.



2. Place the 6” backing square on top of the embroidered piece, right sides together. With the embroidered piece up, stitch around the square leaving a 4” opening to turn.

3. Turn. Check that no tape is showing on the right side. Turn back inside out. Snap on your E Zipper Foot. This is wider, and also allows you to stitch an overcast stitch, next to the beads. Touch Woven



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4. Turn your pin cushion right sides out. Stuff with fiberfill. Hand sew the opening closed.