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Step 2



Step 3



Step 4



## Sashas Silver Spiderweb Bead

This elegant spiderweb bead spotlights the reduction effects possible when using Sashas Silver, one of the stars of the Northstar/Precision 104

line. Submitted by **Lisa St. Martin**, a prominent ISGB mover & shaker. Have an idea for a tutorial? Send it to us at: [info@northstarglass.com](mailto:info@northstarglass.com).

### MATERIALS NEEDED

3/16" Mandrel  
Bead Separator

104 COE GLASS:  
Black  
Sashas Silver  
Diamond Clear  
1/4" Dichroic Strip

Murrini Slices  
(optional)

TOOLS NEEDED:  
Graphite Paddle  
Tweezers

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### LET'S GET STARTED!

**Step 1.** Wind molten black glass around a 3/16" coated mandrel. Form an oval core bead.

**Step 2.** Apply a thin layer of **Sashas Silver** over the entire bead and melt it in.

**Step 3.** Turn down the oxygen to create a very reducing flame. Reduce thoroughly. Then return to a neutral flame.

**Step 4.** Encase bead with Diamond Clear. Keep un-cased glass out of direct heat to protect reduction effect.



**Step 5.** Apply dichroic if desired. Tap down with paddle or tweezers.



**Step 6.** Add black spiderwebbing, or trailing.

**Step 7.** Shape and flatten bead. You can flatten it gently several times; you don't have to do it all at once.



Reheat immediately to remove chill marks.



**Step 8.** Add some murrine. Encase in clear.



**Step 9.** Anneal at 960°F.