

Guide to Flattening CGBeadroller Beads

I'm fondest of the angels, I think they will make great bases for people or your favorite cat bead. The bullets are another starter shape for animal bodies, simply add a detached sculpted head bead. Cones have a straighter shape than the curved bullets, so they flatten with a bit more of a bottle neck. The slimmer the cone, (obviously) the slimmer the flattened bead will be.



If you like making hearts, the more you leave the big end of the eggs dimpled in, the more it flattens into a heart shape. The key here is that the footprint will hold it's ground as you squash the bead. Bicones and ChiChi's form interesting shapes for focals, just add decoration. The barrel surprised me the most, I thought the ends would squash out more. That means the barrel will make a perfect pre-shape for all those square presses you have laying around and can't get the right amount of glass for, and of course, it also makes a nice flattened bead all on it's own.



If you're looking for awesome tabs; the ovals, donuts and rounds will give you a nice pallet to decorate. The slimmer the bead, the slimmer the tab (again, obvious), with the olives forming the 'roundest' tab of any shape in the CGBeadroller line. Chunky donuts are like the barrels and drums and tend to leave the ends fairly squared off. You would think the round would make a round flattened bead, but as mentioned before, the footprint hold it's ground and you will get kind of an apple shape.



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