Laurel Medallion Cord Pattern

I came up with this laurel wreath pattern to make a cord for a dear friend’s elevation to the Order of the Laurel.

**Disk set up**

Arrange the 8 threads (I used size 3 crochet cotton, but other threads will work) on the disk as indicated by the diagram below. Place each thread in its own slot. The paired threads below sit side by side in adjoining slots.

- G = Green threaded bobbin
- Y = Yellow threaded bobbin
- X marks the side of the card that stays nearest you as you work

**Counterweight**

I used a 2.2 ounce counterweight for this cord. The heavier the counterweight you use, the looser the braid and the longer the laurel leaves will be. So I suggest at least 2 ounces of counterweight.

**Working instructions**

Move the threads, step-by-step, as indicated by the braiding diagrams. Remember that 2 threads never occupy the same slot and threads shown next to each other occupy adjoining slots.

Following the direction of the arrows, move threads from the dotted position to the gray position, in the order indicated by the numbers.

Place an X on the bottom tab of your disk. Keep that X toward you at all times while working the pattern.

Keep the tension even as you put each thread in its slot at the end of each move. The threads should lay tightly against the disk, in a straight line from the slot to the center hole. The braid should be centered in the hole, not off to one side. When you return to Step A, adjust the thread tension as needed.

**ENJOY!**

**Questions or problems? Contact me:**

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**Working Diagrams**

**Home Positions**

- Ready to work

**Step A**

1) Left bottom to right side-top  
2) Right bottom to left side-top

**Step B**

1) Left top to right side-bottom  
2) Right top to left side-bottom

**Step C**

1) Left side (3rd down) to left top  
2) Right side (3rd down) to right top

**Step D**

1) Left side (2nd down)  
   to left bottom  
2) Right side (2nd down)  
   to right bottom

**Step E**

Housekeeping moves, returns Bobbins to home positions  
1) Left side-bottom up  
2) Left side-top down one  
3) Right side-bottom up one  
4) Right side-top down one

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