

Taos Knotted Necklace

Project N836

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With colors inspired by the American Southwest, this knotted leather cord necklace is easy to make and fun to wear.

What You'll Need

Czech Glass, Bohemian Aged 2/0 Round Seed Beads, 10 Grams, Etched Blue Turquoise and Amber

SKU: BCS-9017

Project uses 10 pieces



TierraCast 22K Gold Plated Pewter Nugget Heishe Spacer Beads 5mm (12)

SKU: BMB-9822

Project uses 2 pieces



Cord Ends, Fancy Crimp Style with Loop, Fits 1.5mm Cord, 10 Pieces, Gold Tone Brass

SKU: FCR-3155

Project uses 2 pieces



Genuine Leather Cord, Round 1.5mm, By the Yard, Orange

SKU: CHY-1509

Project uses 1 yard



22K Gold Plated Open Jump Rings 4mm 20 Gauge 22k Gold Plated (100)

SKU: FJR-3914

Project uses 2 pieces



Magnetic Clasp, 6x4.5mm, 4 Clasp Sets, 22K Gold Plated

SKU: FCL-6807

Project uses 1 piece



Zola Elements Charm, Beaded Teardrop 11x22mm, 2 Pieces, Antiqued Gold Toned/Orange/Turquoise

SKU: PZE-131

Project uses 1 piece



Nunn Design Antiqued 24kt Gold Plated Open Jump Rings Etched 6.5mm 17 Gauge (10)

SKU: FJR-2069

Project uses 1 piece



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5600] Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - For Cutting Beading Wire, 1 Piece, [XTL-0020] Baby

Wubbers Quality Fine Chain Nose Jeweller's Pliers

Instructions

1. Begin by opening a 6.5mm jump ring and sliding your Zola Elements charm onto it. Close the jump ring.



2. Take your one yard of orange leather cord and fold in half so you can find the middle point. Tie a simple overhand knot so it sits right in the middle. Pull tight.
3. Onto one end of your cord string on 1 seed bead, the jump ring with the Zola Elements charm, and 1 more seed bead. Slide them down so they rest next to knot in the middle. Right after the last seed bead, tie another knot and again pull tight. Always pull your knots tight during this project.
4. Tie another knot approximately 1/2 - 3/4 inch from the knot your just tied. Please refer to photo and you can also create a larger gap too if you like. Next slide onto your cord: 2 seed beads, 1 spacer bead, and 2 more seed beads. Slide these down so they rest right next to the knot you just tied and then tie another knot after them.
5. Repeat the previous step on the other side of your necklace.
6. Now that the beadwork and knotting is done, you can choose how long you want your necklace to be. For around an 18 inch necklace you will measure each side so it is 9 inches long (the clasp and jump rings do add about 1/2 an inch) and then cut your cord. I found it easiest to line up the two sides with the charm in the direct center and then cut the cords at the same time so they are even.
7. Place onto an end a fancy crimp with loop. Crimp the center section with your chain nose pliers. Open a jump ring and attach it to the loop as well as one half of your magnetic clasp.
8. Repeat the previous step on the other side of your necklace.
9. Have fun wearing!