

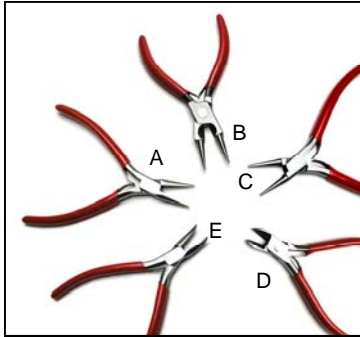
Beaded Fringe Necklace



Skill Level: Intermediate
Prerequisite: Wire Techniques

Learn from this handout and find out how to incorporate different gemstone shapes and sizes with chain and wire. Use your favorite gemstones to create this renaissance inspired necklace while you learn the tricks to weaving chain using headpins. This technique is one every beader should know.

Ingredients for the Beaded Fringe



TOOLS NEEDED

- A. Needle-nose chain pliers
- B. Rosary or
- C. Round-nose pliers
- D. Wire cutters
- E. Bent-nose pliers

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

Part 1

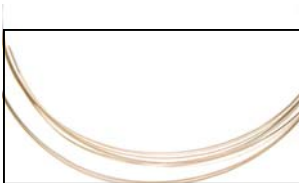
- Wrapping your Briolettes

Part 2

- Making the Fringe



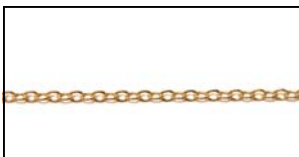
- 24-30 rondelle gemstones
- 12-14 briolette gemstones
- 1 larger bead for the center



- 1 foot 24 gauge sterling silver or gold-filled wire
- 5 feet 26 gauge sterling silver or gold-filled wire



- 12-14 2-inch sterling silver or gold-filled headpins



- 36-inches total sterling silver or gold-filled chain
- 6 4-inch cut pieces
- 12 inches extra

Part 1: Wrapping Your Briolettes



Step 1

Cut a piece of wire approx. 3-4 inches long. Slide a briolette gemstone onto the piece of wire. Leave about an inch of wire on the left side.



Step 2

Bend the two ends of the wire upward.



Step 3

Using your fingers, pinch the two ends of the wire together to form the shape of the briolette. The shorter wire should remain on the left side.



Step 4

With the tip of your round-nose pliers, grab both wires at the top of the briolette.



Step 5

Bend the long wire against the top of the pliers and away from you until the wire reaches a right angle.



Step 6

Turn your pliers and hold them upright. Place the wire in between both of the plier noses. Wrap the long wire up and around the top plier, pulling it towards you.



Step 7

Remove your loop and place it around the bottom plier nose.



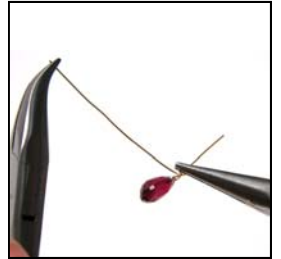
Step 8

Wrap the wire under the bottom of the plier, pulling it away from you.



Step 9

Switch to your needle-nose pliers and grab the loop you have just created with the tip of the pliers. The smaller wire should be pointing up through the center of the loop.



Step 10

Hold your bent-nose pliers with your other hand and hold onto the long piece of wire. Begin to wrap the wire around the base of the loop. Wrap three times or more.



Step 11

Your briolette should now look like this. Complete steps 1-10 until you have wrapped a total of 13 briolettes. Put them aside.

Part 2: The Fringes



Step 12
Slide one rondelle gemstone onto one of your 2-inch headpins.



Step 13
Cut a piece of chain about 4 inches long. From the bottom, count up 5 links and place your wire inside of the 5th link.



Step 14
Slide on another rondelle. You may want to think about a certain color pattern.



Step 15
Repeat steps 13-14 two more times. You should have a total of 3 chains and 4 beads on your headpin.



Step 16
With your round-nose pliers, grab the wire just above your last bead.



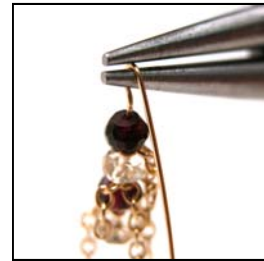
Step 17
With your finger, bend the wire to a 90 degree angle, away from you.



Step 18
Turn your pliers so they are perpendicular with the ground and place the wire in between the noses.



Step 19
With your finger, bend the wire up and over the top of the plier.



Step 20
Take your pliers out of the loop and put the bottom nose of your pliers inside of the loop.



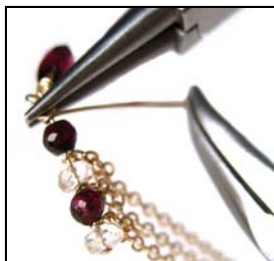
Step 21
Wrap the wire under the bottom plier to complete your loop.



Step 22
Using your pliers, gently open up the loop.



Step 23
Slide a wrapped briolette onto your wire.



Step 24
Holding the loop with your round-nose or needle-nose pliers, grab the wire with your bent nose pliers and wrap it three times.



Step 25
Follow steps 12-24 to complete a total of 6 fringes. Remember to count 5 links before adding another fringe.



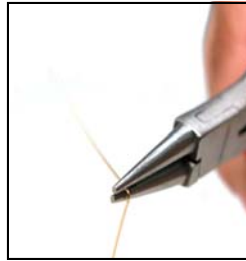
Step 26
You have now completed the first set of fringes. Repeat steps 12-25 to complete the second set.



Step 27
You should now have 2 similar sections. It's time to attach them!



Step 28
Cut a 4-inch piece of 24G wire. Hold the middle of the wire with your round-nose pliers and bend the top wire over the pliers at a 90 degree angle, away from you.



Step 29
Turn your pliers so they are perpendicular with the ground.



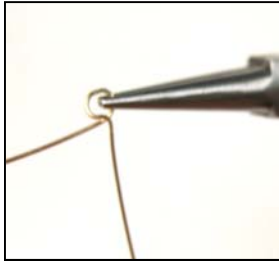
Step 30
Bend the wire over the top of the pliers



Step 31
Take the top nose of the plier out of the loop and place the bottom plier inside of the loop.



Step 32
Pull the wire underneath the bottom plier and away from you, finishing the loop.



Step 33
With your round-nose pliers, gently grab onto the loop so it is slightly opened.



Step 34
Slide the first 3 links of each connected chain onto the piece of wire.



Step 35
All the chains should fit into the loop.



Step 36
Follow steps 34-35 using the second set of fringes.



Step 37
Secure the loop by wrapping the wire just below the loop three times.



Step 38
Slide your center bead onto the wire.



Step 39
At the bottom of the bead, create another wire-wrap just like you did in steps 17-24, sliding a briolette on before closing the loop.



Step 40
On one end of your fringe, follow steps 28-35, threading each chain through a new loop. Wire-wrap the loop closed.



Step 41
Add a bead to your wire, just above your wrap.



Step 42
Follow steps 28-33 to create another loop at the top of your bead. Thread on about 6 inches (depending on final length of necklace) of chain onto your loop.



Step 43
Close off your loop by wire-wrapping 3 times. Repeat steps 40-43 on the other side of the fringe.



Step 44
Attach each end of your chain to the two parts of a clasp. Follow steps 40-43 to create the wire-wrap, attaching your chain & clasp.