

Peacock Necklace



Crystals
with Gold Beadalon
stringing wire.

Skill Level: Beginner
Project time: 2-3 hours

Light and airy, this understated necklace speaks of quiet sophistication. With the exotic design of a peacock's feather, you can alter its mood by altering the colors. Use greens to duplicate the tender shoots of spring. Clear and silver to mimic elegant frost crystals on glass. Reds to imitate a flickering flame. And of course there's emerald green and teal to echo the peacock!

This is a fun and easy project that we think you will return to time and again. Our Peacock design is constructed using the finest materials available at www.beadshop.com. Please be aware that we make every effort to stock the materials that you see in this step-by-step instruction. However, because we scour the globe to find our products, availability can not be guaranteed. We hope you find learning with us fun and valuable!

PEACOCK NECKLACE RECIPE

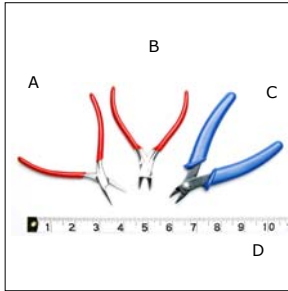
Hi! I'm BettyBead.

I will be your guide throughout this project. If you are a beginning beader, you are going to love this project. These instructions are all you need to succeed! Questions or comments? Don't hesitate contacting me. I can be reached by email: info@beadshop.com.

Good luck and happy beading!



Ingredients for the Peacock Necklace



TOOLS NEEDED

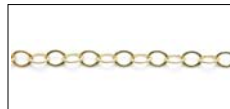
- A. Needle-nose chain pliers
- B. Wire cutters
- C. Crimping pliers
- D. Tape measure
- ☺ Scotch tape (not pictured)

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

40 Easy steps to making a Peacock Necklace



- 1 30 Ft. Spool Gold Beadalon stringing wire size .015. We used approximately 9'.



- 2" Gold-filled cable chain



- 1 Gold-filled classic lobster claw. It must fit into chain link.



- 2 1" Gold-filled curved tube beads



- 1 Packet gold-filled, extra small crimp beads. Sometimes they are also called 1x2.



- 7 6x9mm Swarovski faceted drop crystals



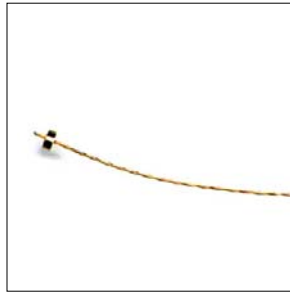
This finished Peacock Necklace is 15½" in length. The chain at one end allows up to two more adjustable inches.



Step 1
Using the wire cutters, cut 7 pieces of Beadalon, at 15" each.
Helpful Hint



Be gentle with the Beadalon. Try to avoid creasing or kinking it.



Step 2
Slide an extra small crimp bead onto the end of one of the cut wires.



Step 3
Place the crimp bead into the inner jaw (lip-shaped hole) of the crimping pliers.



Step 4
Gently squeeze the crimp bead until it forms a hammock.



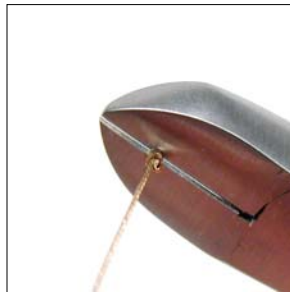
Step 5
To fold the hammock in half, place it into the outer jaw (oval-shaped hole) of the crimping pliers.



Step 6
Go easy! If you squeeze the crimp bead too hard it can break.
Helpful Hint



Gently tug on the crimp bead to make sure it is secure.



Step 7
Use the wire cutters to trim off the short stringing wire so it is flush with the crimp bead.



Step 8
Slide on a drop bead, tapered end first.



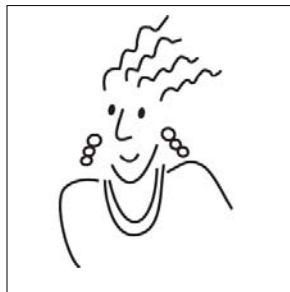
Step 9
a) Slide on the second crimp bead.
b) Hold the end of the wire up so the second crimp bead rests on top of the drop bead.



Step 10
a) Place the crimp bead into the inner jaw (lip-shaped hole) of the crimping pliers.
b) Before you crimp, push the crimp bead down for a tight fit.



Step 11
Crimp above the bead just like you did in steps 4-6.



Now that you are warmed up, repeat steps 2-11 on the rest of your wires.



Step 12
To combine a group of four strands use a crimp bead. Slide the four strands into the crimp bead as far as you can without creasing the stringing wire.



Step 13
Use the needle nose chain pliers to slightly flatten the crimp bead. This will help you line up the strands side-by-side. Don't over do it! Make sure you can still move the Beadalon.



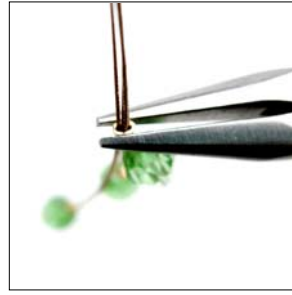
Step 14
Using your thumb nail and index finger gently pinch the stringing wire next to the crimp bead.



Step 15
Arrange the 4 stringing wires so they are laying side by side.



Step 16
Gently pull on the beads until you have them arranged in a cascading order. None of them should be touching each other.



Step 17
When you are satisfied with your arrangement, use the needle-nose chain pliers to finish your flat crimp.

Helpful Hint



Be mindful that your flat crimp doesn't end up crooked.



Step 18
To combine the group of remaining three strands repeat steps 12-17.



Step 19
a) On a flat surface, arrange the cascading beads side by side.
b) Check that the longer strands are on the inside of the design.



Step 20
Move one group up or down in relation to the other to adjust how they look.



Step 21
a) Use scotch tape to hold your piece in place.
b) Separate the two inner stringing wires from both groups. Double check that the inner wires are the longer wires.



Step 22
Slide a crimp bead onto the two inner stringing wires.



Step 23
Use the needle nose chain pliers to slightly flatten the crimp bead. Don't over do it! Make sure you can still move the Beadalon.



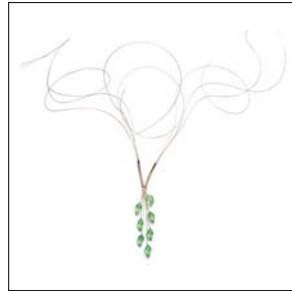
Step 24
Arrange the four strands so they are laying side-by-side.



Step 25
Use the needle-nose chain pliers to finish your flat crimp.



Step 26
Above the flattened crimp bead, divide the strands into a group of three and four.



Step 27
a) Slide a tube bead onto the group of three stringing wires.
b) Slide another tube bead onto the group of four.



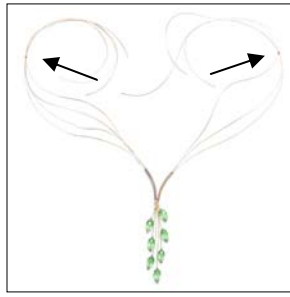
Step 28
Slide a crimp bead onto each group of the stringing wires.



Step 29
Measure 7" up the wire on both sides from the "V".



Step 30
a) While keeping track of the seven inches, curve your strands as if they were going around your neck.
b) Allow some of the stringing wires to be a little longer. This adds a light/airy feel.



Step 31
Place the crimping beads at the 7" mark.



Step 32
a) Double check that the crimps are symmetrical.
b) Use the needle-nose chain pliers to flat crimp them.



Step 33
a) Slide a curved tube bead onto each group of stringing wires.
b) Follow with a crimp bead on each group.



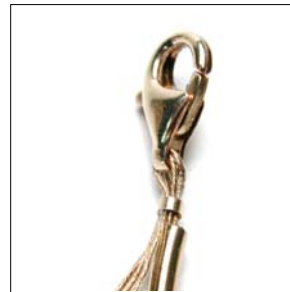
Step 34
Take the group of three stringing wires and slide them through the crimp, side-by-side.



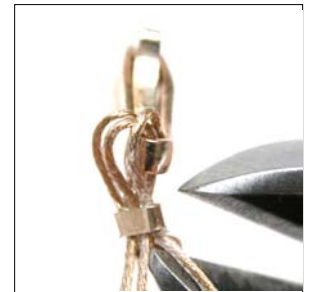
Step 35
Without losing the side-by-side position of the strands on your finger, loop the three wires through the lobster clasp.



Step 36
Loop the three stringing wires, sided-by-side, back through the crimp bead.



Step 37
a) When you pull the loop tight, be sure to leave some wiggle room for the clasp.
b) Use the needle-nose chain pliers to flat crimp.



Step 38
Use the wire cutters to trim off excess stringing wire, one at a time.



Step 39
a) On the other side, take the group of four stringing wires and divide it into two.
b) Slide a crimp bead onto each pair of stringing wires.



Step 40
Repeat steps 34-38 using the extension chain instead of the lobster claw.

We hope you enjoyed this project. I certainly enjoyed teaching you how to make it!

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