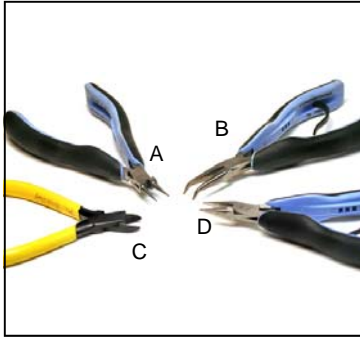**The Bead Shop** ™

Organic Ring

Skill Level: Beginner
Prerequisite: None

This free form ring technique makes breezy, fun jewelry. Discover how to add some glamor to your rings by embedding metal beads or stones.

Ingredients for Organic Ring

TOOLS NEEDED

A.   Round-nose pliers
B.   Bent-nose pliers
C.   Wire cutters
D.   Needle-nose pliers
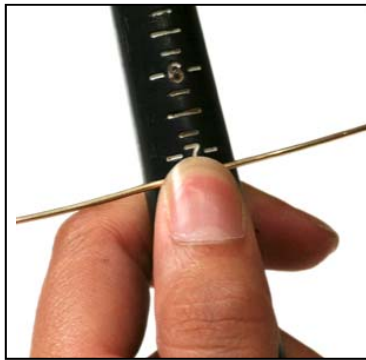E.   Ring mandrel
F.   Ring Sizer

Materials
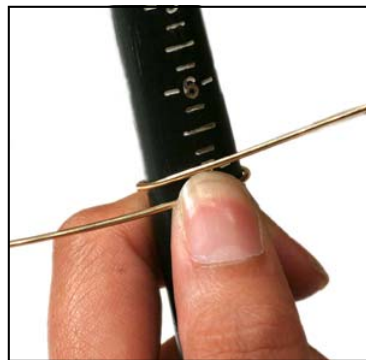
10mm bead, with a hole large enough to take 16 gauge wire

1 foot 16 gauge wire

Step 1
Use a ring sizer to determine the desired finished size.

Step 2
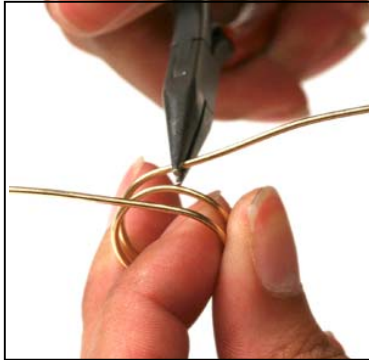Find your ring size on the mandrel and center the wire over the mark.

Step 3
With good tension, wrap your wire around the mandrel from each end.

Step 4
This will be the base of your ring. Wrap the wire around two to three times depending on the finished look you want.
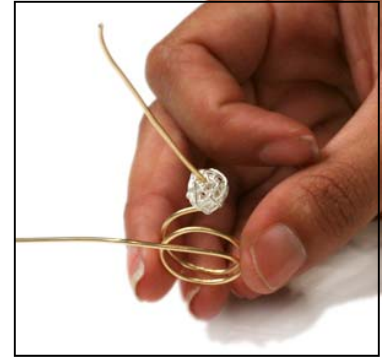
Step 5
Your ring should have an extra 2-3″ of wire at each end.

Step 6
Find the place nearest to the center of the ring hold it with needle-nose pliers.

Step 7
Create a right angle with the needle-nose pliers.

Step 8
Slide your bead on the end with the bent wire.

Step 9
Nestle the bead into the right finished position.

Step 10
Use the wire to start creating the nest. Use either round-nose pliers, or your hands.

Step 11
To ensure the right size, slip the ring onto the ring mandrel and push it down to the right size.

Step 12
Continue making the nest on the mandrel, using both wires.

Step 13
Leave and inch of wire at each end and make rosary loops with round-nose pliers.

Step 14
Open the rosary loops then hook them into the nest.

Step 15
It should look like this. Slide the ring onto the mandrel one more time and stretch it if necessary to get the right size.