

Natural Bead Necklace

Using an assortment of copper findings and natural beads, this necklace can make a perfect handmade gift or a stylish accessory for you. It is very easy to make and relatively inexpensive so is a perfect project for all ages.

You will need:

- Copper chain
- Copper headpins
- Assorted sized natural coloured beads
- A copper clasp or fastener
- Small pliers
- Wire cutters



1. Measure the chain, either around your neck (or the person who it is intended for) or against an existing necklace that you know to be the right length.

2. Lay out your beads as they will be attached to the chain. As this necklace is symmetrical there are two of each bead (one for each side) and a large centre bead.

3. Thread a bead onto the headpin. Depending on the size of the bead and its hole, you may need to use small beads at either side of the bead to ensure it sits on the headpin properly.

4. Using the pliers and wire cutters, bend and snip the headpin so that there is a small loop to attach the bead to the chain. Find the centre of the chain and attach the middle bead to it.



Note: The main bead on the necklace in the picture did not have a hole through it thread onto a headpin so a copper jump ring was used to attach it to the centre of the chain.

5. Repeat this for all the beads on the necklace. Attach the beads, filling half the chain in the middle section.

6. Attach the fastener to the two ends of the chain, using jump rings if needed.