DESIGNING WITH A BEAD BOARD

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Simple Stringing - Learn to use a bead board to design a sweet, whimsical beaded necklace - perfect for Spring!



Materials:

- Beadalon® 19 Strand Bead Stringing Wire, Silver, 0.018" - Item # 10121913
- Wire Guards by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10697701
- Silver Finish Lobster Clasps by Bead Landing™, 15mm - Item # 10442978
- Crimp Tubes Variety Pack Sizes 1, 2, 3 & 4 600/Pkg-Silver-Plated - Item # 180895965502537741
- Jump Rings, 144ct. by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10697427

Beads

- John Bead Metallic Czech Glass Seed Beads, 6/0 -Item # 10416605
- Multicolor Millefiori Glass Flower Beads, 7.5mm by Bead Landing™- Item # 10719031
- Multicolor Enamel Metal Butterfly Beads, 8mm by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10718569
- Purple, Green & Blue Glass Cube Beads, 3mm by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10547766
- Santa Fe Czech Glass Flower & Leaf Bead Mix by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10720282

Tools:

- Beadalon® Standard Crimper Tool - Item # 10332396
- Beadalon® Nipper Tool - Item # 10302215
- Beadalon® Large Pink Tip Bead Stoppers - Item # D521865S

Instructions:

Step 1 - Cut 20" (51cm) of bead stringing wire.

Step 2 - Lay beads onto the bead board in desired pattern, starting in the middle and working outwards.

Step 3 - Attach a Bead Stopper to one end of the bead stringing wire.

Step 4 - Transfer the beads to the bead stringing wire.

Step 5 - Thread a crimp tube onto one end of the bead stringing wire.

Step 6 - Thread a wire guardian onto the end of the wire. Thread the wire around and down the wire guardian, and back through the crimp tube.

Step 7 - Crimp the crimp tube with the crimper tool.

Step 8 - Tuck the beading wire into the first few beads and snug all of the beads up to this end.

Step 9 - Thread a crimp tube onto the other end of the bead stringing wire.

Step 10 - Thread a wire guardian onto the end of the wire, and thread the wire around and down the wire guardian, and back through the crimp tube.

Step 11 - Be sure to leave a little "wiggle room" in your design.

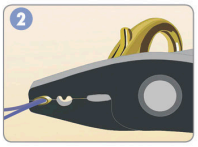
Step 12 - Crimp the crimp tube with the crimper tool.

Step 10 - Use chain nose pliers to attach jump rings and clasp to the wire guardians.

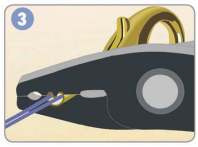
Crimping Instructions & Crimp-Wire-Tool Guide



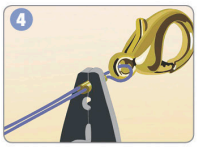
Feed one Crimp Bead onto the Beadalon wire, then loop it through a Clasp and back though the Crimp. Be sure wires are side by side, not crossed.



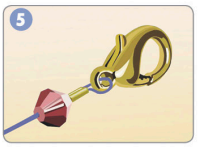
Place the crimp in the OUTER jaw of the Crimp Tool, make one firm compression. This will shape the Crimp into an oval, keep the wires parallel.



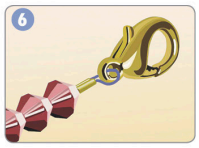
Place the Crimp Bead into the crescent-shaped groove (inner jaw) of the Crimp Tool. Make one firm compression.



Place the Crimp into the tool's semi-circle groove (outer jaw), turn it 90° and make another compression until the Crimp Bead is nicely rounded.



String the first bead, then cut the excess wire with the Beadalon Flush Cutter.



String the remaining beads and repeat steps 1, 2, and 3 on the opposite end to attach the other side of the clasp to complete the design.

CRIMP-WIRE-TOOL GUIDE

Crimp Bead Size	Use with Wire/Cord Diam.	Use with Crimp Tool	Tool Part #
#0	0.25 mm - 0.33 mm (.010" - .013")	Micro	JTCRIMP2
#1	0.25 mm - 0.53 mm (.010" - .021")	Standard	JTCRIMP1 & 5
#2	0.60 mm - 0.66 mm (.024" - .026")	Standard	JTCRIMP1 & 5
#3	0.60 mm - 0.91 mm (.024" - .036")	Mighty	JTCRIMP3

Crimp Tube Size	Use with Wire/Cord Diam.	Use with Crimp Tool	Tool Part #
#1	0.25 mm - 0.33 mm (.010" - .013")	Micro	JTCRIMP2
#2	0.33 mm - 0.61 mm (.013" - .024")	Standard	JTCRIMP1 & 5
#3	0.60 mm - 0.66 mm (.024" - .026")	Standard	JTCRIMP1 & 5
#4	0.66 mm - 0.91 mm (.026" - .036")	Mighty	JTCRIMP3

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