

DESIGNING JEWELRY WITH SPACER BEADS, BEAD CAPS AND BEAD CONES

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Learn to use spacer beads, bead caps and necklace cones in your strung jewelry to elevate your designs to the next level!

Materials:

- Beadalon® 19 Strand Bead Stringing Wire, Silver, 0.018" - Item # 10121913
- 12mm Toggle Clasp Sets, 3ct. by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10103710
- Crimp Tubes Variety Pack Sizes 1, 2, 3 & 4 600/Pkg-Silver-Plated - Item # 180895965502537741
- Wire Guards by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10697701
- Assorted Bead Cones by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10443039

Beads:

- 6mm Glass Round Beads by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10321035
- Black Aurora Borealis Round Glass Beads, 10mm by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10631456
- Silver Metal Cap-Shaped Beads, 8mm by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10367678
- Silver Metal Large Dot Rondelle Beads, 8mm by Bead Landing™ - Item # 10472555

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 a bead board in desired pattern using bead caps and spacers, 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 starting and ending with a bead cone.

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 "wobble 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.