

KEYWORD SEARCH

## CRYSTALLIZED™ - Swarovski Elements

- Crystal Beads
- Crystal Pendants
- Crystal Components
- Crystal Pearls
- Crystal Sew-On Stones

## GLASS BEADS

- Glass Beads
- Lampwork Glass Beads
- Cubic Zirconia Beads
- Artist Beads

## JAPANESE SEED BEADS

- Round Seed Beads
- Seed Bead Shapes
- Delica Seed Beads

## NATURAL BEADS

- Semi-Precious Beads
- Freshwater Pearls
- Wood, Shell, Horn, Bone
- Felt and Resin Beads

## METAL BEADS

- Alphabet Beads
- Silver Beads
- Gold Beads
- Brass Beads
- Copper Beads
- Thai Hill Tribe Silver

## CHARMS AND PENDANTS

- Silver Charms
- Gold Charms
- Brass Charms
- Copper Charms
- Stamping Blanks & Charms
- Pendants
- Buttons

## SILVER COMPONENTS

- Findings
- Clasps
- Ear Wires
- Links, Caps, Components
- Bangles and Rings
- Artist Findings

## Techniques: Simple Loop

Learn step-by-step how to make a simple wire loop to link beads and findings together.

Beading Techniques > Wire Working Techniques > Simple Loop

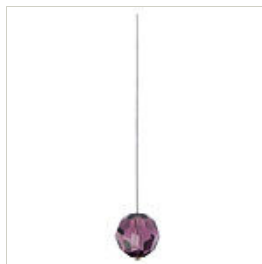


### Materials

- Bead(s)
- Head pin

### Tools

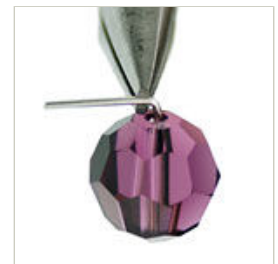
- Round Nose Pliers
- Wire Cutters



**Step 1**  
String a bead or beads onto a head pin.



**Step 2**  
Cut the head pin, leaving 3/8".



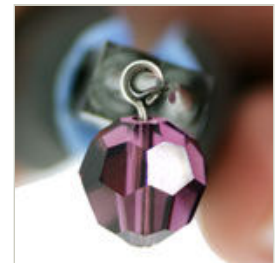
**Step 3**  
Bend the wire at the top of the bead to a 90° angle with chain nose pliers or your fingers.



**Step 4**  
Grasp the end of the wire with round nose pliers so the wire is flush with the tool.



**Step 5**  
Rotate the pliers to form a loop.



**Step 6**  
Continue turning the wire until a complete loop is formed.

**GOLD COMPONENTS**

- Findings
- Clasps
- Ear Wires
- Links, Caps, Components
- Bangles

**BRASS COMPONENTS**

- Findings, Clasps, Earwires
- Links and Components

**COPPER COMPONENTS**

- Findings
- Clasps
- Links, Caps, Components

**BASE METAL COMPONENTS**

- Findings

**STRINGING MATERIALS**

- Chain
- Wire
- Beading Wire
- Beading Thread
- Elastic and Cord
- Wire Lace Ribbon

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**Step 7**  
 To open the loop, grasp the side of the loop closest to the opening with chain nose pliers and move this side of the loop toward you.



**Step 8**  
 Attach the loop to your desired location. To close the loop, grasp the open side with chain nose pliers and move away from you until the loop is closed and the end of the wire is flush with the base of the loop.



**Tip:**  
 To make a smaller loop, work closer to the tip of the round nose pliers.



**Tip:**  
 If you want to make a larger loop, start with a piece of wire longer than 3/8" and make the loop further back from the tip of the round nose pliers.

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