

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: Wire Wrapping

A wire-wrapped loop is one of the most secure ways to connect beads and findings. Learn this basic wireworking technique, and you'll be making jewelry like a pro.

Beading Techniques > Wire Working Techniques > Wire Wrapping



Materials

- Bead(s) with a center drilled hole
- Head pin

Tools

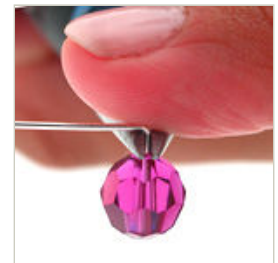
- Round Nose Pliers
- Chain Nose Pliers
- Wire Cutters



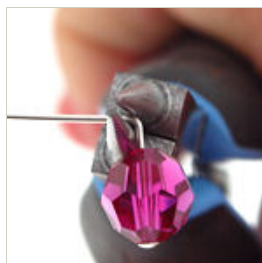
Step 1
String a bead or beads on the head pin. Remember to have at least an inch of wire above the last bead.



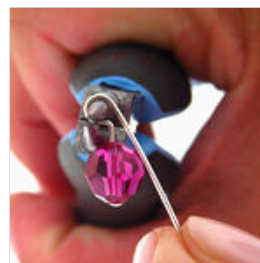
Step 2
Using the tips of your chain nose pliers, grab the wire directly above the beads.



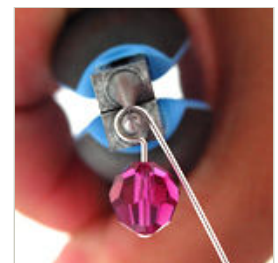
Step 3
With your finger, push the wire to a 90° angle.



Step 4
Using your round nose pliers, grasp the wire right at the bend.



Step 5
Pull the wire around the round nose pliers until it is almost pointing directly down.



Step 6
Reposition your pliers by opening your round nose pliers (but do not pull the pliers out of the loop) and pivot your pliers so the bottom

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

TOOLS AND SUPPLIES

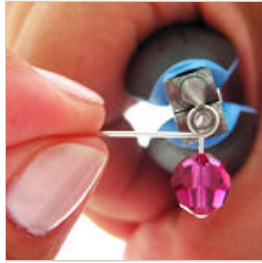
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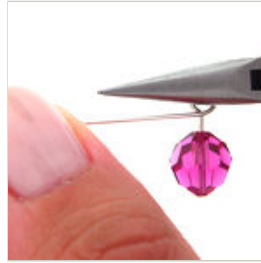
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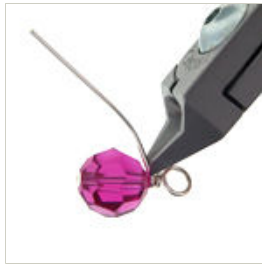
Step 7
 Continue pulling the wire around the nose of the pliers until the loop is completely round.



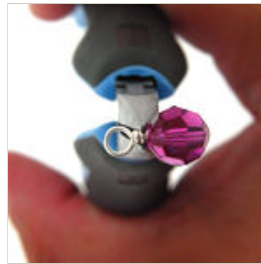
Step 8
 To then wrap the loop, grip the loop with the chain nose pliers and grip the wire with your fingers.



Step 9
 Wrap the wire around the head pin. Continue wrapping the wire down to the bead.



Step 10
 Using the wire cutters, cut off the extra wire as close as you can to the beads.



Step 11
 Tuck the remaining tip of wire with your chain nose pliers so there are no sharp pieces of wire sticking out that can snag on clothing.

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