

Sea Cucumber by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 8 inches

Beads and other products needed for one bracelet:

Approximately 18 grams (2 bags) - Size 6 Matte Metallic Spring Green Iris Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB2726)
Approximately 7 grams (1 bag) - Size 6 Matte Metallic Purple/Teal/Bronze Iris Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB2790)
Approximately 3 grams (1 bag) - Size 11 Transparent Gold Peridot Green Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB1668)
1 - 14mm Sterling Silver Toggle Clasp with Curved Bar (SS3540)
2 - 2x2mm Sterling Silver Crimp Beads (SS4047)
Approximately 24 feet - Crystal Clear FireLine Braided Bead Thread Size B (SM4428)
1 foot - Clear Soft Flex Beading Wire .014 Diameter (SM0310)
Hypo Tube Cement

Tools needed to complete the bracelet:

Wire cutters
Crimping pliers (TL0500)
Scissors
English Beading Needles, Size 12

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelet:

Crimping
Anemone

For step-by-step photos and instructions on these and other techniques, visit FusionBeads.com and select Beading Techniques from the top navigation bar.

Instructions to complete "Sea Cucumber" bracelet:

Step 1

Place one crimp bead and the loop on one side of the sterling silver toggle clasp onto a 1-foot length of beading wire. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead (see Crimping Technique).

Step 2

Pour out your selection of seed beads: size 6 matte metallic purple/teal/bronze iris (the core color), size 6 matte metallic spring green iris seed beads (the larger fringe color), and size 11 transparent gold peridot green seed beads (the smaller fringe color).

Step 3

String enough core color seed beads to reach the desired length of your bracelet, leaving approximately 3/8-inch of room on the beading wire. String one crimp bead and the other side of the toggle clasp onto the beading wire, pass the wire back through the crimp bead, crimp the crimp bead, and trim excess wire with wire cutters.

Step 4

Thread a 6-foot length of beading thread onto a needle and bring the needle to the middle of the thread. Tie a square knot at one end of the thread, pass through one core bead, and anchor the thread around the core bead (see Anemone Technique). Place a dot of Hypo Tube Cement onto the knot and allow the glue to dry.

Step 5

String one large fringe bead, and one small fringe bead; pass down through the large fringe bead and the core bead, then back up through the next core bead.

Step 6

In the same fashion as Step 6, continue to add your fringe beads until you have made at least three full passes through the bracelet, or until you have reached your desired fullness.

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