

Peppermint by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 19 inches

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

- 5 – 4mm Light Siam Preciosa Czech Crystal Bicone Beads (PC1123)
- 5 – 4mm Crystal Labrador 2X Preciosa Czech Crystal Bicone Beads (PC1088)
- 1 – 18mm Disc with Silver Foil Venetian Lampwork Bead – Crystal (VL1600)
- 14 inches – 2mm Sterling Silver oval Cable Chain (CN02669)
- 1 – 9mm Sterling Silver Toggle Clasp (SS3100)
- 6 inches – 6mm Red WireLace® Ribbon (SM5582)
- 1 – 22 Gauge Sterling Silver 2 Inch Head Pin (SS2501)
- 3 feet – 24 Gauge Sterling Silver Half Hard Wire (SW0117)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

- Wire cutters
- Chain nose pliers
- Round nose pliers

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

- Cutting Chain Efficiently
- Wire Wrapping
- Wire Wrapped Link

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 “Peppermint” necklace:

Step 1

Using wire cutters, cut the sterling silver chain into nine 1 ½-inch lengths (see Cutting Chain Efficiently Technique).

Step 2

Using a 3-inch length of sterling silver wire, make a wire wrapped link (see Wire Wrapped Link Technique) with one 4mm Light Siam bicone bead. Connect one side of this wire wrapped link to the loop on one side of the sterling silver toggle clasp, and connect the other side to one end of one 1 ½-inch length of chain.

Step 3

Using a 3-inch length of wire, make a wire wrapped link with one Crystal Labrador 2X bicone bead. Connect one side of this wire wrapped link to the other end of the chain attached in Step 2, and connect the other side to a second length of chain.

Step 4

In the same fashion, connect the remainder of chain lengths consecutively with wire wrapped links, alternating Light Siam and Crystal Labrador 2X bicone beads. Connect the second side of the final wire wrapped link to the loop on the other side of the toggle clasp.

Step 5

Using your fingers, gently spread open a 6-inch length of red WireLace® ribbon (which is a tube that can be flattened or opened). Carefully tie an overhand knot at one end of the ribbon, leaving approximately a ½-inch tail.

Step 6

Place one silver foil Venetian lampwork bead into the open end of ribbon. The line of the bead holes should be perpendicular to the ribbon ends. Tie an overhand knot in the ribbon on the other side of the bead. The two knots will anchor the bead, and the ends of the ribbon now look like a peppermint candy wrapper. Using your fingers, gently spread the ends of the ribbon to look fuller.

Step 7

Making sure that the line of the bead holes is perpendicular to the ribbon ends, place one 22 gauge head pin through the ribbon and the bead. Wire wrap (see Wire Wrapping Technique) the “peppermint” directly to the middle of the fifth segment of connected chain from Steps 2 - 4.

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