

Acapulco by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 19 inches

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

- 1 bag - Size 11 Multi Opaque Luster Colors Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB1886)
- 5 - 5mm Gold Plated Round Seamed Beads (BM2568)
- 5 - 6mm Gold Plated Round Seamed Beads (BM2573)
- 3 - 7mm Gold Plated Round Seamed Beads (BM2576)
- 2 - 9.5x31mm Antique Gold Plated Pewter 5 Strand Scroll Vine End Bars (PG0985)
- 20 - 1.5x1.5mm Gold-Filled Crimp Beads (BM2528)
- 1 - 9.5x5.5mm Gold Plated Base Metal Lobster Claw Clasp (BM3147)
- 4 - 6mm 18 gauge Gold Plated Base Metal Jump Rings (BM2841)
- 12 inches - 6mm Gold Plated Base Metal Flat Cable Chain (CN3057)
- 7.5 feet - Clear Soft Flex Beading Wire .014 diameter (SM0310)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

- Chain nose pliers
- Wire cutters
- Crimping pliers

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

- Crimping
- Opening and Closing a Jump Ring

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 “Acapulco” necklace:

Step 1

Using wire cutters, cut the beading wire into the following lengths:

- 1 – 7.5” length
- 1 – 7.75” length
- 1 – 8” length
- 1 – 8.25” length
- 1 – 8.5” length
- 1 – 8.75” length
- 1 – 9” length
- 1 – 9.25” length
- 1 – 9.5” length
- 1 – 9.75” length

Tip

The front of the necklace is made of 10 staggered strands of beading wire varying in length from 5.5 inches (highest) to 7.75 inches (lowest), creating a curved effect. The beading wire lengths above allow for 1 inch of length for crimping on either end. Two strands are attached to each set of loops on the 5-to-1 links. For reference in the instructions, imagine that the 10 strands are numbered from 1 to 10, with 1 being the shortest and 10 being the longest. Also imagine that the loops on the 5-to-1 link are numbered from 1 to 5. Strands 1 and 2 will be attached to loop 1, strands 3 and 4 will be attached to loop 2, and so on.

Step 2

String one crimp bead and loop 1 of one 5-to-1 link onto the 7.5-inch length of beading wire. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead (see Crimping Technique).

Step 3

String these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

- 1.25” of seed beads
- 1 – 5mm seamless bead
- 2” of seed beads
- 1 – 5mm seamless bead
- 1.5” of seed beads
- 1 – crimp bead

Step 4

String loop 1 of the second 5-to-1 link. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead.

Step 5

In the same manner as in the previous steps, string each strand of beading wire with the beads specified below onto the specified length of beading wire. Crimp each strand to the specified loops on the 5-to-1 links:

Strand 2, loop 1 (7.75” length of beading wire):

- 2.5” of seed beads
- 1 – 5mm seamless bead
- 2.75” of seed beads

Strand 3, loop 2 (8” length of beading wire):

- 1” of seed beads
- 1 – 6mm seamless bead
- 4.5” of seed beads

Strand 4, loop 2 (8.25" length of beading wire):

2" of seed beads
1 – 6mm seamless bead
2" of seed beads
1 – 7mm seamless bead
2" of seed beads

Strand 5, loop 3 (8.5" length of beading wire):

3.25" of seed beads
1 – 5mm seamless bead
3" of seed beads

Strand 6, loop 3 (8.75" length of beading wire):

5.5" of seed beads
1 – 6mm seamless bead
.75" of seed beads

Strand 7, loop 4 (9" length of beading wire):

1.5" of seed beads
1 – 6mm seamless bead
5" of seed beads

Strand 8, loop 4 (9.25" length of beading wire):

3" of seed beads
1 – 7mm seamless bead
2" of seed beads
1 – 5mm seamless bead
1.75" of seed beads

Strand 9, loop 5 (9.5" length of beading wire):

4.75" of seed beads
1 – 6mm seamless bead
2.25" of seed beads

Strand 10, loop 5 (9.75" length of beading wire):

0.75" of seed beads
1 – 7mm seamless bead
6.25" of seed beads

Step 6

Using wire cutters, cut the chain into two 6-inch lengths.

Step 7

Open one jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique). Use the jump ring to attach the single loop on one 5-to-1 link to one end link of one length of chain. Close the jump ring.

Step 8

Repeat Step 7 with the single loop on the second 5-to-1 link and the second length of chain.

Step 9

Open two jump rings. Use one jump ring to attach the lobster claw clasp to one side of the necklace. Attach the second jump ring to the other side of the necklace. Close both jump rings.

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