

La Playa by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 19 inches (with 2-inch extension)

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

- 1 - 16mm Aquamarine Swarovski Elements Crystal Shell Pendant (SC6481)
- 30 - 3mm White Swarovski Elements Crystal Pearls (PL6100)
- 2 - 4mm White Swarovski Elements Crystal Pearls (PL5000)
- 1 - 14.5x13mm Antique Brass Starfish Charm by Kabela Design (BM2243)
- 1 - 10x7mm Gold-Filled Oval Lobster Clasp (GF3117)
- 1 - 5.3mm Gold-Filled 20.5 Gauge Jump Ring (GF2682)
- 1 - 7mm Gold-Filled 19 Gauge Jump Ring (GF2715)
- 2 - 24 gauge Gold-Filled 1.5 inch Head Pins (GF2758)
- 60 - 1x1mm Gold-Filled Crimp Beads (GF2786)
- 2 - 3x3mm Gold-Filled Crimp Beads (GF3129)
- 2 inches - 3.2mm Gold-Filled Open Cable Chain (CN1117)
- 110 inches - Gold Plated Beadalon .015 diameter 19 Strand Beading Wire (SM0256)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

- Wire cutters
- Chain nose pliers
- Mighty Crimping Pliers (TL0502)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

- Crimping
- Opening and Closing a Jump Ring
- Crimping Beads onto Beading Wire
- Wire Wrapping

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 “La Playa” necklace:

Step 1

Using wire cutters, cut the beading wire into five 22-inch lengths.

Step 2

Holding all five strands of beading wire together, place one 3x3mm crimp bead and the loop on the lobster claw onto the five strands. Pass the wires back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead with Mighty Crimping Pliers (see Crimping Technique).

Step 3

Place one 1x1mm crimp bead onto one length of beading wire. Using chain nose pliers, crimp the crimp bead about 1 inch from the clasp attached in Step 2 (see Crimping Beads onto Beading Wire Technique).

Step 4

String one pearl and one 1x1mm crimp bead onto the beading wire. Crimp the crimp bead next to the pearl to anchor it.

Step 5

In the same manner as in the previous steps, crimp five more pearls onto the same length of beading wire, varying the spaces between the beads randomly.

Step 6

Repeat steps 3 – 5 on the four remaining strands of beading wire, anchoring a total of six pearls onto each strand and varying the spaces between the beads randomly so that the pearls are staggered on all five strands.

Step 7

Place one crimp 3x3mm bead and the 5.3mm jump ring onto all five strands of beading wire. Pass the wires back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead using Mighty Crimping Pliers.

Step 8

Place one pearl onto a head pin, making one unit. Make a wire wrapped loop (see Wire Wrapping Technique) onto the open end of the head pin without connecting it to anything.

Step 9

Open the 7mm jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique). Use the jump ring to attach the crystal shell pendant, the star charm and the loop on the pearl from Step 8 onto all five strands of beading wire at the center front of the necklace. Close the jump ring.

Step 10

Open the 5.3mm jump ring used in Step 7, and attach one end link of the 2-inch length of chain. Close the jump ring.

Step 11

Place one pearl onto a head pin, making one unit. Wire wrap this unit to the unattached end link of chain.

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