

# Soft Flex Inspiration Necklace by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 20 inches

## **Beads and other products needed for one necklace:**

- 24 - 4mm Opaque Turquoise Fire Polished Round Glass Beads (FP0312)
  - 9 - 6mm Opaque Turquoise Fire Polished Round Glass Beads (FP1443)
  - 4 - 8mm Opaque Turquoise Fire Polished Round Glass Beads (FP1582)
  - 21 - 4mm Tanzanite Fire Polished Round Glass Beads (FP0999)
  - 25 - 4mm Peridot Fire Polished Round Glass Beads (FP0236)
  - 8 - 6mm Peridot Fire Polished Round Glass Beads (FP0409)
  - 1 gram - Size 8 Sparkly Light Sea Foam Lined Transparent Aqua Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB1327)
  - 1 gram - Size 8 Transparent Denim Blue with Purple Sheen Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB1213)
  - 1 gram - Size 8 Silver Lined Transparent Opal Mint Green Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB1088)
  - 1 - 15mm Round Sterling Silver Bezel Link (PE8608)
  - 1 - 20mm Round Sterling Silver Bezel Link (PE8610)
  - 1 - 25mm Round Sterling Silver Bezel Link (PE8611)
  - 1 - 29x13mm Sterling Silver Organic Oval Toggle Clasp (SS3655)
  - 2 - 2x21mm Sterling Silver 8 Hole End Bar Links (SS4930)
  - 8 - 5mm Sterling Silver 20.5 Gauge Open Jump Rings (SS3920)
  - 66 - 1x1mm Sterling Silver Crimp Beads (SS4042)
  - 24 - 2x2mm Sterling Silver Crimp Beads (SS4047)
  - 2 - 3x3mm Sterling Silver Crimp Beads (SS4049)
  - 24 - 3.5mm Sterling Silver Crimp Bead Covers (SS2103)
  - 2 - 4mm Sterling Silver Crimp Bead Covers (SS4055)
  - 1 - Egg Hunt Trios Soft Flex Beading Wire .019 diameter (SM5060)
  - 1 - Volare Ultrafine Transparent Glitter (CR0108)
- Purple paper

## **Tools needed to complete the necklace:**

- Chain nose pliers
- Wire cutters
- Crimping pliers (TL0500)
- Mighty Crimping Pliers (TL0502)
- Micro Crimping Pliers (TL0501)
- ICE Resin

Hypo Tube Cement  
Pencil  
Scissors

### **Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:**

Opening and Closing a Jump Ring  
Crimping  
Crimp Bead Covers  
Using ICE Resin with Bezel Pendants  
Adding Color to ICE Resin

### **Instructions to complete “Soft Flex Inspiration Necklace”:**

#### **Step 1**

Use a pencil to trace around the outside edges of the three links on the purple paper. Use scissors to cut the circles, making sure to cut inside the lines.

#### **Step 2**

Use Hypo Cement to adhere the circles of purple paper to the links. Let dry.

#### **Step 3**

Working on a piece of white plastic trash bag or craft mat, randomly place two peridot 4mm beads, two tanzanite 4mm beads, and two opaque turquoise beads in the 15mm link. Randomly place four peridot 4mm beads, four tanzanite 4mm beads, and four opaque turquoise 4mm beads in the 20mm link. Randomly place six peridot 4mm beads, six tanzanite 4mm beads, and seven opaque turquoise 4mm beads in the 25mm link.

#### **Step 4**

Mix a batch of ICE Resin (see Using ICE Resin with Bezel Pendants Technique). After mixing, sprinkle a small amount of Volare Ultrafine Transparent Glitter into the resin, and mix in using a stir stick (see Adding Color to ICE Resin Technique).

#### **Step 5**

Fill the three links with resin. Let dry.

#### **Step 6**

Use two jump rings (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique) to attach the other loop of the 15mm link to one loop of the 20mm link. Use two jump rings to attach the other loop of the 20mm link to one loop of the 25mm link. Use two jump rings to attach the other loop of the 25mm link to the single-strand side of one connector.

#### **Tip**

*Three sizes of crimp beads are used in this design. Use the Micro Crimping Pliers to crimp 1mm x 1mm crimp beads; standard crimping pliers to crimp 2mm x 2mm crimp beads, and the Mighty Crimping Pliers to crimp 3mm x 3mm crimp beads.*

#### **Step 7**

Cut a 15-inch length of purple amethyst wire. Repeat for the chrysoprase and green turquoise wires. Use all three wires to string one 3mm x 3mm crimp bead and the bar half of the toggle clasp. Pass back through the crimp bead and crimp (see Crimping Technique). Cover the crimp bead using a 4mm crimp cover (see Crimp Bead Covers Technique).

#### **Step 8**

Use the purple amethyst wire to string one transparent denim blue with purple sheen seed bead. Pass the wire through the bead again to form a loop of wire around the bead. Repeat step using the chrysoprase wire and one silver lined transparent opal mint green sheen seed bead. Repeat step again using the green turquoise wire and one sparkly light sea foam lined transparent aqua seed bead.

**Step 9**

Use all three strands of wire to string one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead, one opaque turquoise 8mm bead and one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead. Place the first crimp bead strung about 1/2 inch from the 3mm x 3mm crimp bead, and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover. Snug the 8mm bead and crimp the remaining bead. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 10**

Use the purple amethyst wire to string one transparent denim blue with purple sheen seed bead. Pass the wire through the bead again. Repeat to add two more seed beads to the purple amethyst wire, with each wire loop being about 1/8 inch apart. Repeat entire step using the chrysoprase wire and silver lined transparent opal mint green sheen seed beads. Repeat again using the green turquoise wire and sparkly light sea foam lined transparent aqua seed beads.

**Step 11**

Use all three strands of wire to string one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead, one opaque turquoise 8mm bead and one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead. Place the first crimp bead strung about 7/8 inch from the 3mm x 3mm crimp bead, and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover. Snug the 8mm bead and crimp the remaining bead. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 12**

Repeat Steps 9 – 10 twice. Repeat Step 7.

**Step 13**

Use all three strands of wire to string one 3mm x 3mm crimp bead and the remaining loop of the 15mm link. Pass back through the crimp bead and crimp. Cover the crimp bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 14**

Use a 24-inch length of green turquoise wire to string one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead and the first loop of the 8-strand side of the connector. Pass back through the bead and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 15**

String one sparkly light sea foam lined transparent aqua seed bead, and place it about 1/8 inch from the crimp bead. Pass the wire through the bead again.

**Step 16**

String one 1mm x 1mm crimp bead, one opaque turquoise 4mm bead, and one 1mm x 1mm crimp bead. Place the first crimp bead about 1 inch from the seed bead and crimp. Snug the 4mm bead, and crimp the other crimp bead.

**Step 17**

String one opaque turquoise 6mm bead. Place the bead about 1 inch from the crimp bead. Pass the wire through the bead again.

**Step 18**

Repeat Step 16. Repeat Step 15, placing the bead about 1 inch from the crimp bead. Repeat Step 16. Repeat Step 17.

**Step 19**

String one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead and the first loop of the second connector. The length of the beaded wire should be about 8 inches. Pass back through the bead and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 20**

Repeat Step 14, attaching the wire to the second loop of the connector. For the remainder of this strand, place all new beads about 3/8 inch from the previous bead/crimp. Repeat Step 17. Repeat Step 16. Repeat Step 15. Repeat Step 16. Repeat Step 17. Repeat Step 16. Repeat Step 15. Repeat Step 16. Repeat Step 17. Repeat Step 16.

**Step 21**

String one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead and the second loop of the second connector. Check that the total length of beaded wire is about 8 inches. Pass back through the bead and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 22**

Repeat Step 14, attaching the wire to the second loop of the connector. For the remainder of this strand, place all new beads about 1/2 inch from the previous bead/crimp. Repeat Step 15 using one transparent denim blue with purple sheen seed bead. Repeat Step 17. Repeat Step 16 using a 4mm tanzanite bead. Repeat Step 15. Repeat Step 17 using a 6mm tanzanite bead. Repeat Step 16. Repeat Step 15 using one transparent denim blue with purple sheen seed bead. Repeat Step 17. Repeat Step 16 using one 4mm tanzanite bead. Repeat Step 15.

**Step 23**

String one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead and the third loop of the second connector. Check that the total length of beaded wire is about 8 inches. Pass back through the bead and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 24**

Use a 24-inch length of purple amethyst wire to string one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead and the fourth loop of the 8-strand side of the connector. Pass back through the bead and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 25**

String one tanzanite 6mm bead and place it about 3/8 inch from the crimp bead. Pass the wire through the bead again. Repeat Step 16.

**Step 26**

String one transparent denim blue with purple sheen seed bead and place it about 1/4 inch from the crimp bead. Pass the wire through the bead again.

**Step 27**

Repeat Step 17.

**Step 28**

String one 1mm x 1mm crimp bead, one tanzanite 4mm bead, and one 1mm x 1mm crimp bead. Place the first crimp bead about 1/4 inch from the seed bead and crimp. Snug the 4mm bead, and crimp the other crimp bead.

**Step 29**

Repeat Step 15.

**Step 30**

String one tanzanite 6mm bead. Place the bead about 7/8 inch from the crimp bead. Pass the wire through the bead again.

**Step 31**

Repeat Step 16, placing the crimp bead about 3/8 inch from the previous bead.

**Step 32**

Repeat Step 26. Repeat Step 17, placing the bead about 3/4 inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 28. Repeat Step 23 using the fourth loop of the second connector.

**Step 33**

Repeat Step 24, attaching the wire to the fifth loop of the connector.

**Step 34**

String one peridot 6mm bead. Place the bead about 1/8 inch from the crimp bead. Pass the wire through the bead again.

**Step 35**

Repeat Step 28.

**Step 36**

String one silver lined transparent opal mint green seed bead and place it about 1/4 inch from the previous bead. Pass the wire through the bead again.

**Step 37**

For the remainder of this strand, place all new beads about ¼ inch from the previous bead/crimp. Repeat Step 30.

**Step 38**

String one 1mm x 1mm crimp bead, one peridot 4mm bead, and one 1mm x 1mm crimp bead. Crimp the beads.

**Step 39**

Repeat Step 26. Repeat Step 34. Repeat Step 28. Repeat Step 36. Repeat Step 30. Repeat Step 38. Repeat Step 26. Repeat Step 34. Repeat Step 28.

**Step 40**

String one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead and the sixth loop of the second connector. Check that the total length of beaded wire is about 8 inches. Pass back through the bead and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 41**

Use a 24-inch length of chrysoprase wire to string one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead and the fourth loop of the 8-strand side of the connector. Pass back through the bead and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 42**

Repeat Step 26, placing the bead about 1/8 inch from the crimp bead. For the remainder of this strand, place all new beads about ½ inch from the previous bead/crimp. Repeat Step 38. Repeat Step 30. Repeat Step 36. Repeat Step 28. Repeat Step 34. Repeat Step 26. Repeat Step 38. Repeat Step 30. Repeat Step 36. Repeat Step 28. Repeat Step 23 using the fifth loop of the second connector.

**Step 43**

Repeat Step 41. For the remainder of this strand, place all new beads about 7/8 inch from the previous bead/crimp. Repeat Step 34. Repeat Step 38. Repeat Step 36. Repeat Step 38. Repeat Step 34. Repeat Step 38. Repeat Step 36. Repeat Step 38.

**Step 44**

String one 2mm x 2mm crimp bead and the seventh loop of the second connector. Check that the total length of beaded wire is about 8 inches. Pass back through the bead and crimp. Cover the bead with a crimp cover.

**Step 45**

Repeat Step 41. Repeat Step 36, placing it about 1/8 inch from the crimp bead. Repeat Step 38, placing it ¾ inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 34, placing it 7/8 inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 38, placing it ¼ inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 36, placing it 3/8 inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 38, placing it 7/8 inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 34, placing it 1 inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 38, placing it 1/2 inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 36, placing it 3/8 inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 38, placing it 7/8 inch from the previous bead. Repeat Step 44.

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