

Plum Brandy by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 19 inches

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

- 3 - 8mm Rose Satin Swarovski Elements Crystal Bicone Beads (08BI0204)
- 2 - 12x8mm Light Amethyst Swarovski Elements Crystal Cubist Beads (SC4259)
- 2 - 16x10mm Light Amethyst Swarovski Elements Crystal Cubist Beads (SC4271)
- 2 - 18x12mm Amethyst Swarovski Elements Crystal Polygon Beads (SC3653)
- 2 - 14x10mm Amethyst Swarovski Elements Crystal Oval Beads (SC7318)
- 1 - 22x16mm Amethyst Swarovski Elements Crystal Oval Bead (SC7333)
- 2 - 8mm Amethyst Glass Pearl Round Beads (PL9062)
- 2 - 8mm Lavender Glass Pearl Round Beads (PL9077)
- 1 - 10mm Plum Glass Pearl Round Bead (PL9118)
- 1 - 12mm Burgundy Swarovski Elements Crystal Pearl (PL5906)
- 2 - 10mm Amethyst Glass Pearl Round Beads (PL9093)
- 2 - 12mm Plum Glass Pearl Round Beads (PL9149)
- 2 - 12mm Amethyst Glass Pearl Round Beads (PL9124)
- 2 - 19x19mm Antique Brass Plated Pewter Lg. Hammered Circle Ring by TierraCast® (AP2001)
- 2 feet - 2mm Antique Brass Plated Base Metal Figure-8 Chain (CN5340)
- 2 feet - 2.3mm Antique Brass Plated Base Metal Long and Short Chain (CN4042)
- 2 feet - 2.8mm Antique Brass Plated Base Metal Curb Chain (CN4040)
- 2 feet - 3mm Antique Brass Plated Base Metal Infinity Link Chain (CN4041)
- 2 feet - 3.2mm Antique Brass Plated Base Metal Long and Short Chain (CN5322)
- 1 - 24x11mm Natural Brass Hook and Eye Clasp by Vintaj (NB0138)
- 4 - 8mm Natural Brass Etruscan Bead Caps by Vintaj (NB0253)
- 8 - 12mm Natural Brass Etruscan Bead Caps by Vintaj (NB0554)
- 12 - 5mm Natural Brass 18 Gauge Open Jump Rings by Vintaj (NB0204)
- 23 - 22 gauge Antique Brass Plated Brass 1.5 inch Eye Pins (BM2661)
- 2 - 9x5mm Natural Brass Cord End by Vintaj (NB0135)
- 19 inches - 14mm Plum Silk Ribbon (SM4559)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

Round nose pliers
Chain nose pliers
Wire cutters
Scissors

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

Opening and Closing a Jump Ring
Simple Loop
Attaching a Cord End - Style 4

Instructions to complete “Plum Brandy” necklace:

Tip

This necklace uses a variety of chains and beads connected randomly with simple loops on eye pins. Don't worry about making any particular pattern – just have fun creating a mélange of beautiful beads with texture and movement. Use 8mm bead caps with the 8mm pearls and 12mm bead caps with 12mm pearls.

Step 1

Cut the five types of chain into random lengths ranging from about 1.5 to 2 inches each.

Step 2

Open one jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique). Use the jump ring to attach one end link of any one chain length to one hammered circle ring. Close the jump ring.

Step 3

Place any one bead onto an eye pin, making one unit. Turn a simple loop (see Simple Loop Technique) at the open end of the eye pin. Attach the loop just made to the unattached end link on the chain from the previous step.

Step 4

Open the unattached loop on the unit from the previous step, and attach it to one end link of a second length of chain.

Step 5

In the same manner as in Steps 3 – 4, continue connecting chain lengths to beads randomly until the swag is about 7 inches long, ending with a chain length.

Step 6

Repeat Steps 2 – 5 four times, attaching a total of five chain and bead swags to the same hammered circle ring.

Step 7

Deliberately tangle the swags together by loosely and randomly weaving and braiding them.

Step 8

Open five jump rings, and use each to attach the end chain link on each swag to the second hammered circle ring. Close each jump ring.

Step 9

Using scissors, cut the ribbon into two 9.5-inch lengths.

Step 10

Thread one ribbon length through one circle ring to the middle of the ribbon. Fold the ribbon around the ring, and hold the two ends together.

Step 11

Attach the two ribbon ends to one cord end (see Attaching a Cord End - Style 4 Technique).

Step 12

Repeat Steps 10 – 11 with the second ribbon length and the second circle ring.

Step 13

Open one jump ring, and use it to attach one side of the clasp to one cord end. Close the jump ring.

Step 14

Repeat Step 13 with the second side of the clasp on the other end of the necklace.

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