

Leather and Links 4 by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 8 inches (adjustable)

Beads and other products needed for one bracelet:

24 inches - 1.5mm Metallic Truly Teal Round Leather Cord (SM5086)

1 - 5.5x10mm Antique Brass Plated Barrel Bead by TierraCast (AP0172)

1.5 inches - 8mm Oxidized Brass Plated Brass Textured Heavy Curb Chain (CN5874)

1 foot - #18 Brown Superlon Bead Cord (SM4481)

Tools needed to complete the bracelet:

Chain nose pliers

Tulip Tapestry Needle Set (TL2650)

Beading Scissors, 1 1/4 inch Blade (TL0302)

Full Flush Power Max Cutter (TL0304)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelet:

Lark's Head Knot

Instructions to complete “Leather and Links 4” bracelet:

Step 1

Using scissors, cut two 12-inch lengths of leather cord.

Step 2

Fold one cord length in half. Thread the fold through one link on the end of a 1.5-inch length of chain, and tie a Lark’s head knot (see Lark’s Head Knot Technique).

Step 3

Repeat Step 2 with the second length of cord on the other end of the chain.

Step 4

Thread about 12 inches of bead cord onto a tapestry needle. Hold the tail end of the bead cord in between and parallel with one pair of doubled leather cord strands near its lark’s head knot. Wrap the other end of the bead cord around the doubled leather cord strands and the bead cord tail about 6 – 7 times, keeping the wraps close together and pushed up next to the lark’s head knot.



Step 5

Thread the needle under all the wraps so that the working end and tail are pointing in opposite directions. Pull both ends of the bead cord tightly, securing the wraps. Trim both ends close to the wraps.



Step 6

Repeat Steps 4 – 5 with the second leather cord.

Step 7

String the two loose ends of one cord through the barrel bead, keeping them parallel, and string the two loose ends of the second cord through the barrel bead in the opposite direction, making sure that all cords lie parallel and not twisted. Pull both cords slightly in opposite directions. If the cords feel loose inside the bead, use chain nose pliers to crimp the barrel bead slightly.

Step 8

Tie an overhand knot at the end of each cord.

Step 9

Repeat Step 8 with the second cord.

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