

Metallic Memories by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 18 inches

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

- 2 grams - Size 15 Gunmetal Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB3178)
- 2 grams - Size 12 Hematite Cut Japanese Seed Beads (SB3775)
- 11 grams - 2x5mm Hematite SuperDuo 2 Hole Seed Beads (SB4149)
- 1 - 30x22mm Crystal Swarovski Elements Crystal Oval Stone (SC6871)
- 1 - 23x7mm Gunmetal Plated Pewter Vine Hook and Eye Clasp by TierraCast® (MP2059)
- 1 - Smoke Gray FireLine Braided Bead Thread .008 diameter, 6 lb/Size D (SM1001)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

- Size 12 Pony Beading Needles (TL2382)
- Beading Scissors 1 1/4 inch Blade (TL0302)
- Synthetic Beeswax, 2 ounces (TL1026)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

Basic Right Angle Weave

Instructions to complete “Metallic Memories” necklace:

Tip

The stone’s bezel begins with a variation of right angle weave. If you are not familiar with right angle weave, we recommend that you practice the Basic Right Angle Weave Technique, Steps 1 – 14, using conventional beads as shown in the technique before beginning this necklace.

Step 1

Thread a needle with 5 feet of beading thread, and wax the thread. String these beads:

- 3 – size 12 seed beads
- 1 – SuperDuo bead
- 6 – size 12 seed beads
- 1 – SuperDuo bead
- 2 – size 12 seed beads

Pass through the first seven beads strung, forming a circle (unit 1 is complete).

Step 2

String the following:

- 2 – size 12 seed beads
- 1 – SuperDuo bead
- 5 – size 12 seed beads
- 1 – SuperDuo bead
- 2 – size 12 seed beads

Pass through the last bead passed through in Step 1, connecting unit 2 to unit 1. Pass through the next six beads in unit 2 (unit 2 is complete).

Step 3

In the same manner as in Steps 1 – 2, continuing making seven more right angle weave units.

Step 4

Join unit 9 to unit 1 by stringing two size 12 seed beads, one SuperDuo bead, and two size 12 seed beads. Pass through the middle size 12 bead on unit 1. String two size 12 seed beads, one SuperDuo bead, and two size 12 seed beads. Pass through the size 12 seed bead exited at the beginning of this step.

Step 5

Pass through two more size 12 seed beads and one SuperDuo bead in unit 10. Turn and pass through the second hole in the SuperDuo bead.

Step 6

String four size 15 seed beads. Pass through the next SuperDuo bead. String four size 15 seed beads. Pass through the next SuperDuo bead.

Step 7

String five size 15 seed beads. Pass through the next SuperDuo bead. Repeat this step two more times.

Step 8

Repeat Steps 6 – 7. Retrace the thread path of Steps 6 – 8 to tighten the tension.

Step 9

Exiting the SuperDuo bead in unit 10, turn and pass through the second hole. Weave through the five size 12 seed beads in that unit and the SuperDuo bead on the other end. Turn and pass through the second hole.

Step 10

Place the crystal stone in the bezel, face up. Center the narrow ends of the oval between the two sections with four size 15 seed beads.

Step 11

String five size 15 seed beads. Pass through the next SuperDuo bead. Repeat two more times.

Step 12

String four size 15 seed beads. Pass through the next SuperDuo bead. Repeat once.

Step 13

Repeat Steps 11 – 12. Retrace the thread path of Steps 11 – 13 to tighten the tension. Be sure the stone is centered both front and back between the size 15 seed bead sections.

Step 14

To make the bail, weave through beads to exit the inside hole of the SuperDuo bead located between the sections of four size 15 seed beads at the top of the stone.

Step 15

String 13 size 12 seed beads. Pass through the inside hole of the other SuperDuo bead at the top of the stone.

Step 16

String 13 size 12 seed beads. Pass through the inside hole of the SuperDuo bead exited at the beginning of Step 15.

Step 17

Retrace the thread path in Steps 15 – 16 twice. Weave the thread back and forth through several beads, and trim the thread.

Step 18

To make the necklace strap, thread a needle with 5 feet of beading thread, wax and double the thread. You will use doubled thread for strength.

Step 19

String four size 15 seed beads, the loop on the hook side of the clasp, and four size 15 seed beads. Pass back through all beads, forming a ring. Leaving a 6-inch tail, tie a square knot with the tail and working thread.

Step 20

String one SuperDuo bead, three size 15 seed beads and the second hole of the SuperDuo bead. Repeat the stringing sequence so that the first hole of the next SuperDuo bead lines up with the second hole of the previous SuperDuo bead. The strung beads will form a scalloped pattern on both sides of the strap.

Step 21

Continue repeating Step 20 until the necklace strap is 17.5 inches long (or the desired length).

Step 22

String the pendant's bail onto the necklace strap.

Step 23

Exiting the second hole of the last SuperDuo bead strung, string four size 15 seed beads, the loop on the eye side of the clasp, and four size 15 seed beads. Pass back through this loop of beads formed. Pass through several beads in the strap to reinforce. Bury the tail and trim the thread.

Step 24

Bury the tail left at the beginning of Step 19 and trim.

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