

I Am Not The Only One by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 8.5 inches

Beads and other products needed for one bracelet:

- 1 - 8.5 Inch Antique Copper Plated Brass Channel Bangle Bracelet by Nunn Design (BM0588)
- 1 - 10 inch Antiqued Copper Leather Strap by TierraCast® (CR0925)
- 1 - 10 inch Turquoise Leather Strap by TierraCast® (CR0916)
- 1 - 34.5x6mm Sterling Silver Rectangle Stamping Link (SS5144)
- 2 - Assorted Copper Rivets (TL2610)
- 1 - Pool Adirondack® Alcohol Ink by Ranger Inks (CR0603)

Tools needed to complete the bracelet:

- Long Reach 1/16 inch Riveting and Piercing System (TL2760)
- 5 Minute Epoxy (TL1938)
- Premium Disc Cutter Set (TL3001)
- 4mm Script Lower Case Letter Stamp Set by ImpressArt (TL3054)
- 2 lb. Brass Hammer (TL2461)
- Nylon Jaw Bracelet Bending Pliers (TL0613)
- 3 inch Polished Bench Block (TL2281)
- Tape
- Paper towels
- Craft knife

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelet:

- Riveting Using the 1/16 inch Riveting and Piercing System
- Metal Stamping
- Coloring Metal Stamped Letters using Alcohol Inks
- Disc Cutting

Instructions to complete “I Am Not The Only One” bracelet:

Step 1

Tape the stamping link into place on the bench block. Using the hammer and the letter set, stamp the word “dreamer” (or any word of your choice) into the link (see Metal Stamping Technique).

Step 2

Drop a drop of alcohol ink onto the stamped letters, and wipe off excess ink with a paper towel (see Coloring Metal Stamped Letters using Alcohol Inks Technique). Allow the ink to dry completely.

Step 3

Using the nylon jaw bracelet bending pliers, curve the link slightly to align with the curve in the bangle.

Step 4

Using scissors, trim the antique copper leather strap on a long edge so that it fits snugly inside the bangle’s channel. Cut the length to fit the bangle’s circumference (about 9 inches). Place the strap inside the channel to check the fit.

Step 5

Using the disc cutter and beginning about 1 inch from one end, cut 16 1/8” holes in the leather strap about one-half inch apart (see Disc Cutting Technique).

Step 6

Cut 16 1/8” circles out of the turquoise leather strap.

Step 7

From the wrong (smooth) side of the copper strap toward the right (suede) side, place a turquoise leather circle into each hole.

Step 8

Apply epoxy to the bangle channel. Place the copper strap (with turquoise circles in place) into the channel. Allow the epoxy to bond. Trim away any excess leather from the sides with the craft knife.

Step 9

Place the stamped link onto the bangle over the area where the two ends of the leather come together. Using the holes in the stamped link as a template, mark two holes with a permanent marker on the bangle. Punch the holes into the leather and bangle with the riveting and piercing system (see Riveting Using the 1/16 inch Riveting and Piercing System Technique).

Step 10

Using 1/16” copper rivets placed backwards (so that the flat side will be on the inside of the bangle), fasten the stamped link to the bangle.

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