

Love Affair by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 31 inches

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

- 1 - 4mm Pink Coral Swarovski Elements Crystal Gemcolor Pearl (PL6894)
- 4 - 6mm Pink Coral Swarovski Elements Crystal Gemcolor Pearls (PL6910)
- 8 - 8mm Pink Coral Swarovski Elements Crystal Gemcolor Pearls (PL6918)
- 12 - 10mm Pink Coral Swarovski Elements Crystal Gemcolor Pearls (PL6870)
- 8 - 10mm Ivory Swarovski Elements Crystal Gemcolor Pearls (PL6867)
- 8 - 12mm Pink Coral Swarovski Elements Crystal Gemcolor Pearls (PL6878)
- 12 - 12mm Ivory Swarovski Elements Crystal Gemcolor Pearls (PL6875)
- 4 - 14mm Pink Coral Swarovski Elements Crystal Large Hole Gemcolor Pearls (PL6942)
- 6 - 14mm Ivory Swarovski Elements Crystal Large Hole Gemcolor Pearls (PL6939)
- 1 - 16mm Pink Coral Swarovski Elements Crystal Large Hole Gemcolor Pearl (PL6950)
- 1 - 16mm Ivory Swarovski Elements Crystal Large Hole Gemcolor Pearl (PL6947)
- 2 - 36mm Natural Brass Rosette Filigrees by Vintaj (NB0671)
- 1 - 8x26mm Natural Brass Nouveau Swirls Toggle Bar by Vintaj (NB0276)
- 1 - 22mm Natural Brass Hammered Toggle Ring by Vintaj (NB0155)
- 4 - 2mm Natural Brass Tube Crimp Beads by Vintaj (NB0638)
- 4 - 3mm Antique Brass Plated Base Metal Crimp Bead Covers (BM3062)
- 36 - 9mm Natural Brass Foliage Bead Caps by Vintaj (NB0252)
- 8 - 12mm Natural Brass Filigree Bead Caps by Vintaj (NB0105)
- 4 - 15mm Natural Brass Large Filigree Bead Caps by Vintaj (NB0104)
- 37 inches - Bronze Soft Flex Beading Wire .014 diameter (SM0127)
- 32 inches - 22 Gauge Round Vintage Bronze Wire (VW0107)
- 1 - Naturally Embellishment Cords (SM5015)
- 1 - #18 Coral Pink Superlon Bead Cord (SM4489)
- 1 - 14mm Linen Silk Ribbon (SM4603)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

- Round nose pliers
- Chain nose pliers
- Wire cutters
- Crimping pliers (TL0500)
- Hypo Tube Cement

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

Crimping
Crimp Bead Covers
Kumihimo – Clasp Option 1
Wire Wrapping

Instructions to complete “Love Affair” necklace:

Tip

Use old beads the same size as the 10mm and 12mm pearls to help open the bead caps by pushing them down over the beads. Don't use your pearls to do this, as it may mar the finish.

Step 1

Cut a length of beading wire about 17 inches long. Orient one filigree on the diagonal. String one crimp bead and the second opening on the right from one corner. Pass the beading wire back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead (see Crimping Technique).

Step 2

Cover the crimp bead with a crimp bead cover (see Crimp Bead Covers Technique), and trim excess wire with wire cutters.

Step 3

String these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

- 1 – 8mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 10mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 8mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 10mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 12mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 10mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 10mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 12mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 10mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 12mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 14mm Ivory large hole Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 12mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl

Step 4

String these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

- 1 – 14mm Pink Coral large hole Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 12mm filigree bead cap
- 1 – 16mm Pink Coral large hole Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 12mm filigree bead cap
- 1 – 14mm Pink Coral large hole Gemcolor pearl

Step 5

Repeat Step 3, reversing the sequence.

Step 6

String one crimp bead and second opening on the left from the corner of the filigree. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, crimp the crimp bead, cover the crimp bead with a crimp cover, and trim excess wire.

Step 7

Cut a length of beading wire about 20 inches long. Place one crimp bead and second opening on the left from the corner of the filigree. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, crimp the crimp bead, cover the crimp bead with a crimp cover, and trim excess wire.

Step 8

String these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

- 1 – 8mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 10mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 8mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 10mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 12mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 10mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 10mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 12mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 10mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 12mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 14mm Ivory large hole Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 12mm Ivory Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 12mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 14mm Pink Coral large hole Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 9mm foliage bead cap
- 1 – 12mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl

Step 9

String these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

- 1 – 14mm Pink Coral large hole Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 12mm filigree bead cap
- 1 – 16mm Pink Coral large hole Gemcolor pearl
- 1 – 12mm filigree bead cap
- 1 – 14mm Pink Coral large hole Gemcolor pearl

Step 10

Repeat Step 8, reversing the sequence.

Step 11

Cut five 26-inch lengths of Superlon bead cord.

Step 12

Cut three 26-inch lengths of embellishment cords.

Step 13

Hold the five strands of the bead cord, three strands of embellishment cord and the silk ribbon together, and tie an overhand knot.

Step 14

Braid the cords together loosely until you have a 7-inch-long braid. Tie another overhand knot. Pull at the fibers in the braid to soften the edges.

Step 15

Repeat Step 14.

Step 16

About a half-inch from the knot, apply some Hypo Tube Cement to keep the cords from fraying. Allow the cement to dry.

Step 17

Using an 8-inch length of wire, tightly wrap the wire around the cord toward the knot making the coils close together (see Kumihimo – Clasp Option 1 Technique). Trim the tails, and tuck in the edges of the wire. Cut off the knot and remaining cord at the end of the coiled wire.

Step 18

Place two 12mm filigree bead caps over the wire coil and compress them so that they hug the wire and cord tightly. String one 6mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl onto the wire, and form a wire wrapped loop (see Wire Wrapping Technique), connecting it to the corner of the filigree opposite the strung strands.

Step 19

Repeat Steps 17 – 18 for the other side of the necklace.

Step 20

Place one 4mm Pink Coral Gemcolor pearl and the hole in the toggle bar onto a head pin, making one unit. Make a wire wrapped loop at the end of the head pin.

Step 21

Repeat Steps 17 – 18 for the other ends of the cord. Connect one cord to the toggle bar unit from Step 20 and the other cord to the toggle ring.

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