

Yorick by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 18 inches

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

- 2 - 5mm Jet Swarovski Elements Crystal Bicone Beads (05BI1187)
- 2 - 5mm Fire Opal Swarovski Elements Crystal Bicone Beads (05BI1127)
- 1 - 19mm Jet Swarovski Elements Crystal Skull Bead (SK0762)
- 2 - 4mm Matte Black Plated Brass 18 Gauge Open Jump Rings (BM4043)
- 433 jump rings - 6mm Black 18 Gauge Open Jump Rings (AW8187)
- 227 jump rings - 6mm Amber 18 Gauge Open Jump Rings (AW8166)
- 135 jump rings - 8.5mm Black 18 Gauge Open Jump Rings (AW8295)
- 1 - 21x11.5mm Black Enamelled Copper S Clasp (AW8700)
- 4 - 21 gauge Gunmetal Plated Brass 1.5 inch Head Pins (BM2670)
- 1 - 22 gauge Gunmetal Plated Brass 3 inch Head Pin (BM2706)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

Round nose pliers
Chain nose pliers
Wire cutters

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

Opening and Closing a Jump Ring
Helm Weave Chain Maille
Byzantine Chain Maille
Simple Loop
Wire Wrapping

Instructions to complete “Yorik” necklace:

Step 1

Using 6mm amber jump rings and 8.5mm black jump rings, make a 16.5-inch (45 units) length of helm chain maille (see Helm Chain Maille Technique), or desired length.

Tip

In the next steps, one unit of Byzantine chain maille will be attached to each unit of helm chain maille. The Byzantine units face perpendicular to the helm chain. Then the Byzantine units will be connected to each other with additional jump rings.



Step 2

Using 6mm black jump rings, make a unit of Byzantine chain maille attached to the first unit of helm chain maille (see Byzantine Chain Maille Technique). In these instructions, a unit of helm refers to each pair of 8.5mm black jump rings. In Step 4 of the Byzantine technique, the black rings shown in the illustration would be the helm unit, and the red rings would be the first Byzantine rings to be attached. In the center of the Byzantine unit (Steps 7 – 8 of the Byzantine technique), use three amber jump rings instead of two. These three rings will face vertically in the necklace.

Step 3

Repeat Step 2 on each unit of helm chain maille across the length of the chain.

Step 4

Use one 6mm black jump ring to connect the four diagonally turned jump rings between every two Byzantine units.

Step 5

Repeat Step 4 across the length of the necklace, connecting every two Byzantine units.



Step 6

In the same manner as in Step 2, make one additional unit of Byzantine attached to the Byzantine unit at the center of the necklace.

Step 7

Attach one 4mm black jump ring to the two lower 6mm black jump rings in the Byzantine unit made in the previous step.

Step 8

Place one crystal skull bead onto the 3-inch head pin, making one unit. Wire wrap (see Wire Wrapping Technique) this unit to the jump ring attached in the previous step.

Step 9

On the second Byzantine unit from the center, attach an additional half unit of Byzantine using 6mm black jump rings only. (A half unit can be seen in Steps 6 – 8 of the Byzantine technique.)

Step 10

Place one 5mm Fire Opal bicone bead onto a 1.5-inch head pin, making one unit. Turn a simple loop (see Simple Loop Technique) at the open end of the head pin. Attach the loop just made to the middle ring of the three vertical-facing jump rings on the Byzantine unit attached in the previous step.

Step 11

Repeat Steps 9 – 10 on the other side of the center.

Step 12

On the fourth unit from the center, attach three 6mm black jump rings to the lower rings of the Byzantine unit.

Step 13

Place one 5mm Jet bicone bead onto a 1.5-inch head pin, making one unit. Turn a simple loop at the open end of the head pin. Attach the loop just made to the middle ring of the three 6mm black jump rings attached in the previous step.

Step 14

Repeat Steps 12 – 13 on the other side of the center.

Step 15

Use one 6mm black jump ring to attach one 8.5mm black jump ring to the first helm unit on one end of the necklace.

Step 16

Attach one 6mm black jump ring to the last helm unit. Use one 4mm black jump ring to attach the S clasp to the 6mm jump ring.

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