

Stroke of Midnight by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 7.5 inches

Beads and other products needed for one bracelet:

1 gram - Size 11 Silver Plated Metal Round Seed Beads (SB1944)
29 - 5mm Jet Hematite Preciosa Czech Crystal Bicone Beads (PC1193)
56 - 5mm Crystal Labrador 2x Preciosa Czech Crystal Bicone Beads (PC1185)
1 - 10x14mm 2 Strand Silver Plated Brass Magnetic Tube Bar Clasp (BM0392)
4 - 2x2mm Sterling Silver Crimp Beads (SS4047)
4 - 3.5mm Sterling Silver Crimp Bead Covers (SS2103)
20 inches - Clear Soft Flex Wire .014 diameter (SM0310)
1 - Smoke Gray FireLine Braided Bead Thread .008 diameter - 6 lb/Size D (SM1001)

Tools needed to complete the bracelet:

Size 12 English Beading Needles (TL1647)
Xuron Thread and Fiber Scissors (TL3000)
Crimping pliers (TL0500)
Wire cutters
Perfect End Thread Burner

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelet:

Basic Right Angle Weave
Crimping
Crimp Bead Covers
Using a Perfect End Thread Burner

Instructions to complete “Stroke of Midnight” bracelet:

Step 1

Weave a 2-row tall by 28-row long bracelet (see Basic Right Angle Weave Technique) using Crystal Labrador 2x and Jet Hematite crystal bicone beads in the pattern shown in the photo.

Step 2

Reinforce the working thread and tail, and burn all thread ends with a Perfect End Thread Burner (see Using a Perfect End Thread Burner Technique).

Tip

In the following steps, beading wire will be crimped onto the clasp, and the woven beads alternating with seed beads will be strung onto the beading wire.

Step 3

Place one crimp bead and one loop on one side of the tube bar clasp onto a 10-inch length of beading wire. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead (see Crimping Technique).

Step 4

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

Step 5

String the first Crystal Labrador 2x crystal bicone bead in one long row of the bracelet onto the beading wire. String one seed bead, placing it in the space between the previously strung bicone bead and the one next to it.

Step 6

In the same manner as in the previous step, continue stringing the Crystal Labrador 2x crystal bicone beads in the row while stringing seed beads between them.

Step 7

String one crimp bead and the corresponding loop on the other side of the clasp onto the beading wire. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead. Cover the crimp with a crimp bead cover, and trim excess wire with wire cutters.

Step 8

Repeat Steps 3 – 7 with the remaining long row of woven beads and the remaining loops on the tube bar clasp

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