

Autumn Blossom by FusionBeads.com



Beads and other products needed for three rings:

- 1 - 3x22mm Red Handmade Lampwork Glass Flower Disc Bead by Susan Sheehan (HM0500)
- 1 - 3x22mm Salmon Handmade Lampwork Glass Flower Disc Bead by Susan Sheehan (HM0501)
- 1 - 3x22mm Brown Handmade Lampwork Glass Flower Disc Bead by Susan Sheehan (HM0512)
- 1 foot - 22 Gauge Round Gold Color Artistic Wire (AW2377)
- 1 foot - 22 Gauge Round Natural Artistic Wire (AW2067)
- 1 foot - 22 Gauge Round Brown Artistic Wire (AW2078)

Tools needed to complete the rings:

- Round nose pliers
- Wire cutters
- Ring mandrel (TL0609)
- Plastic mallet (TL1910)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the rings:

- Simple Loop

Instructions to complete “Autumn Blossom” rings:

Step 1

Cut three 4-inch lengths of gold wire. Hold the wires parallel to one another, and center them on the ring mandrel one size smaller than your desired size. (The 22 gauge wire will spring back as you work with it, creating a larger ring than what you start with.)

Step 2

Wrap the wires around the mandrel until the ends cross. Use your fingers to bend the ends up at a 90-degree angle where the wires cross.

Step 3

String the red flower bead over all six wire ends. Bend and splay the ends like wheel spokes so that none of the wires cross inside the bead hole.

Step 4

Using round nose pliers, turn a simple loop (see Simple Loop Technique) at the end of each wire. The loop should touch the flower.

Step 5

Using the plastic mallet, gently hammer the ring shank so that the wires lie flat against the mandrel. Continue hammering until the ring fits around the mandrel at your desired size.

Step 6

Repeat Steps 1 – 5 for each of the remaining rings, using the brown wire with the salmon flower bead and the natural wire with the brown flower bead.

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