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Approximate finished length: 30 inches

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

- 2 grams - Size 11 Matte Gold (Gilding) Plated Metal Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB2212)
- 8 - 4mm Crystal Silver Night Swarovski Crystal Rondelle Beads (SC6775)
- 16 - 4mm Crystal Silver Shade Swarovski Crystal Rondelle Beads (SC5309)
- 1 - 30mm Crystal Silver Shade Swarovski Crystal Crystalactite Pendant (SK0882)
- 1 - 5mm Antique Brass Plated Base Metal 20 Gauge Open Jump Ring (BM2761)
- 38 inches - 2.5mm Gunmetal Plated Steel Rollo Chain (CN5558)
- 3 feet - 22 Gauge Round Antique Brass Artistic Wire (AW2075)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

- Chain nose pliers
- Wire Cutters

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

- Opening and Closing a Jump Ring

Instructions to complete “Be Free” necklace:

Step 1

Open the jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique). Use the jump ring to attach the pendant to the two end links of the chain. Close the jump ring.

Tip

Place the chain and pendant flat on the work surface so that the chain near the pendant forms a V shape. In the following steps, imagine that lengths of beaded wire are rungs of a ladder anchored to both sides of the chain, filling the V shape for about 3.5 inches above the pendant.

Step 2

Using chain nose pliers, fold over about 1/8 inch of one end of the wire, forming a head.

Step 3

String one seed bead onto the wire. Counting the end link attached to the jump ring as the first link, string the seventh chain link onto the wire from outside the V shape toward the inside. String three seed beads, then the seventh chain link on the opposite end of the chain (stringing from inside the V toward the outside. Cinch all beads and chain links close together. String one seed bead. Trim the wire about ¼ inch from the last bead, and fold over about 1/8 inch of the end of the wire, forming a head, as in the previous step. The first “ladder rung” is complete.

Step 4

In the same manner as in the previous step, continue making “ladder rungs” anchored to the specified chain links and beaded in the specified sequence. (One seed bead is always on the outer side of the chain on either end of the “ladder rung”; only the beads to be strung within the inner part of the chain V are indicated below.)

9th link: 3 – seed beads

11th link: 4 – seed beads

13th link: 2 – seed beads, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelle, 2 – seed beads

15th link: 7 – seed beads

17th link: 2 – seed beads, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelle, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Night rondelle, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelle, 2 – seed beads

19th link: 10 – seed beads

21st link: 4 – seed beads, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelle, 4 – seed beads

23rd link: 10 – seed beads

25th link: 11 – seed beads

35th link: 2 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelles, 3 – 4mm Crystal Silver Night rondelles, 2 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelles

37th link: 4 – 2 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelles, 3 – 4mm Crystal Silver Night rondelles, 2 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelles

45th link: 11 – seed beads

47th link: 5 – seed beads, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelle, 5 – seed beads

49th link: 11 – seed beads

51st link: 3 – seed beads, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelle, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Night rondelle, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelle, 3 – seed beads

53rd link: 11 – seed beads

55th link: 5 – seed beads, 1 – 4mm Crystal Silver Shade rondelle, 5 – seed beads

57th link: 11 – seed beads

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