

Snowflake by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 8 inches

Beads and other products needed for one bracelet:

- 25 - Pewter Faceted Heishi Spacer Bead by TierraCast - Antique Silver - 3mm - (SP0188)
- 10 - 4mm Crystal Moonlight Swarovski Crystal Bicone Bead - 5328 - (04BI1318)
- 10 - 4mm Light Sapphire Swarovski Crystal Bicone Bead - 5328 - (04BI1125)
- 1 - 4mm Sapphire Swarovski Crystal Bicone Bead - 5328 - (04BI1126)
- 8 - 6mm Sapphire Swarovski Crystal Bicone Bead - 5328 - (06BI1125)
- 1 - Pewter Snowflake Charm by TierraCast - Antique Silver - 23mm - (SP6372)
- 1 - Pewter Bar and Ring Toggle Clasp by TierraCast - Antique Silver - 16mm - (SP2128)
- 3 - 21 gauge Silver Plated Brass 2 inch Head Pin - (BM2675)
- 2 - 4mm Silver Plated Base Metal 20 Gauge Open Jump Ring - (BM2747)
- 2 - 2x2mm Sterling Silver Crimp Bead - (SS4047)
- 2 - 3.5mm Sterling Silver Crimp Bead Cover - (SS2103)
- 1 - Soft Flex Beading Wire - Clear - .014" diameter - 10 foot spool - (SM0310)

Tools needed to complete the bracelet:

- Round nose pliers
- Chain nose pliers
- Wire cutters
- Crimping pliers (TL0500)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelet:

- Crimping
- Crimp Bead Covers
- Simple Loop
- Open and Closing a Jump Ring

Instructions to complete “Snowflake” bracelet:

Step 1

Place one crimp bead and the bar side of the toggle 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 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 – 4mm Light Sapphire bicone bead

1 – spacer

1 – 4mm Crystal Moonlight bicone bead

1 – spacer

1 – 6mm Sapphire bicone bead

Repeat the above sequence seven times and then add the following beads:

1 – spacer

1 – 4mm Light Sapphire bicone bead

1 – spacer

1 – 4mm Crystal Moonlight bicone bead

Step 4

String one crimp bead and the ring side of the toggle 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 5

Place one 4mm Crystal Moonlight crystal bicone bead onto one head pin, making one unit. Turn a simple loop (see Simple Loop Technique) at the open end of the head pin: Cut the head pin, leaving 3/8 inch of wire. Bend the wire at the top of the bead to a right angle with chain nose pliers or your fingers. Grasp the end of the wire with round nose pliers so the wire is flush with the tool. Rotate the pliers to form a loop. Continue turning the wire until a complete loop is formed.

Step 6

Repeat Step 1 with the following beads:

1 – 4mm Light Sapphire crystal bicone bead

1 – 4mm Sapphire crystal bicone beads

Step 7

Open one jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique), string the units made in Steps 5 – 6 onto the jump ring, and close the jump ring.

Step 8

Open a second jump ring, string the jump ring with the bicone clusters and the snowflake charm and attach it to the loop on the ring side of the toggle clasp. Close the jump ring.

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