

# Western Winds by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 36 inches

## **Beads and other products needed for one necklace:**

206 beads - Size 6 Opaque Turquoise Picasso Round Japanese Seed Beads (SB4563)  
7 - Pewter Western Bead by TierraCast - 6mm - Antique Brass (AP6234)  
1 - Pewter Feather Pendant by TierraCast - 2 inch - Antique Brass (AP6232)  
11 - 6mm Antique Brass Plated Base Metal 20 Gauge Open Jump Ring (BM2769)  
10 - 2mm Natural Brass Tube Crimp Bead by Vintaj (NB0638)  
10 - 3.2mm Natural Brass Crimp Cover by Vintaj (NB0771)  
9.5 Feet - Ultra Micro-Fiber Suede - Light Brown - 3mm (SM4948)  
5 Feet - Soft Flex Beading Wire - Clear - .014" diameter - 10 foot spool (SM0310)

## **Tools needed to complete the necklace:**

Chain nose pliers  
Wire cutters  
Crimping pliers (TL0500)  
Xuron thread and fiber scissors (TL3000)

## **Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:**

Opening and Closing a Jump Ring  
Crimping  
Crimp Bead Covers

## **Instructions to complete “Western Winds” necklace:**

### **Step 1**

Using Scissors, cut three 38-inch lengths of cord

### **Step 2**

Tie a knot 8 inches from one end of the necklace. Make a braid 4 inches down from the knot. Tie another knot to secure the braid. Repeat for the other side.

### **Step 3**

Using wire cutters, cut five 12-inch lengths of beading wire.

### **Step 4**

String one crimp bead and one jump ring onto a 12-inch length of beading wire. Pass the beading wire back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead (see Crimping Technique).

### **Step 5**

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

### **Step 6**

String these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

20 – seed beads  
1 – 6mm pewter bead  
10 – seed beads  
1 – 6mm pewter bead  
10 – seed beads

### **Step 7**

String one crimp bead and one jump ring 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 4 – 7 stringing these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

7 – seed beads  
1 – pewter bead  
35 – seed beads

### **Step 9**

Repeat Steps 4 – 7 stringing these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

21 – seed beads  
1 – pewter bead  
21 – seed beads

### **Step 10**

Repeat Steps 4 – 7 stringing these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

35 – seed beads  
1 – pewter bead  
7 – seed beads

**Step 11**

Repeat Steps 4 – 7 stringing these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

10 – seed beads  
1 – 6mm pewter bead  
10 – seed beads  
1 – 6mm pewter bead  
20 – seed beads

**Step 12**

Open the jump ring from the first strand made. Attach it to the braided section on the left, one full braid down. Repeat for the other side.

**Step 13**

Repeat Step 12 with the remaining 4 strands, attaching each jump ring one full braid down from the last.

**Step 14**

Open one jump ring. Attach the loop on the feather pendant to the knot after the braid on the left side of the necklace. Close the jump rings.

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