

Yuletide Dream Catcher Ornament

Project C8000

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This ornament combines indigenous and contemporary elements to create a meaningful emblem with nature inspired embellishments and holiday accent colors.

What You'll Need

BeadSmith Super-Lon (S-Lon) Cord - Size 18 Twisted Nylon - Vanilla (77 Yard Spool)

SKU: XCR-4622

Project uses 4 Feet



Beadsmith Silver Plated Copper German Bead Wire Craft Wire 16 Gauge/1.2mm (3 Meters / 9.8 Feet)

SKU: WCR-4400

Project uses 8 Inches



Beadsmith Medium Brown Faux Leather Suede Beading Cord 9Ft (3 Yd) Spool

SKU: XCR-43102

Project uses 3 Feet



Toho Round Seed Beads 8/0 37 'Silver Lined Olivine' 8 Gram Tube

SKU: JSH-0024

Project uses 13 pieces



Red Carnelian Multi-Colored Gemstone 4mm Round Beads /15 Inch Strand

SKU: SPCA-34

Project uses 6 pieces



Crystal Quartz Gemstones, Rough Point Pendants 17-38mm, 10 Pieces, Frosted Clear

SKU: SPQR-08007

Project uses 3 pieces



Round Wood Beads Brown 6-6.5mm /16 Inch Strand

SKU: BWD-0060

Project uses 2 pieces



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SKU: XTL-1001

Project uses 1 piece



On The Surface Embellishments For The Fiber Artist - Fine Wine Red Mix (24 Yd)

SKU: XCR-48212

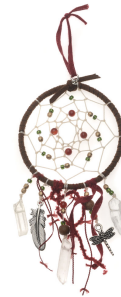
Project uses 15 Inches



TierraCast Fine Silver Plated Pewter Large Feather Charm 29.5mm x1

SKU: PND-5098

Project uses 1 piece



TierraCast Fine Silver Plated Pewter Dragonfly Charm 21mm (1)

SKU: PND-5012

Project uses 1 piece



Czech Fire Polished Glass Beads 3mm Round Matte Metallic Gold (50)

SKU: BCP-33200

Project uses 13 pieces



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5700] Fiskars 5 Precision Tip Scissors - Super Sharp, [XTL-0033] Wubbers Classic Series Chain Nose Quality Jeweller's Pliers, [XTL-5514] Beadsmith Jewelry Fine Round Nose Micro Pliers, [XTL-5603] CHP Milano Heavy Duty Flush Cutter - Cuts Up To 2.5mm Copper Wire, [XTL-5670] Wubbers Classic Series Narrow Flat Nose Duckbill Pliers - 3mm Wide Jaws, [XTL-6090] Beadsmith Wire Whacker - Wire Hardening For Wire Wrapping - Whack It!, [XTL-0247] Eurotool Hammer Rubber Mallet For Metal Smithing - 8 Ounces

Instructions

The hoop measures 2.5 inches in diameter, and the finished project hangs approximately 7 inches when strung from a 2 inch ribbon loop.

1. Please watch the video: How to Make a Dream Catcher Hoop. In this video, you will learn how to wire wrap your hoop, cover it with faux suede, and weave the inner webbing of the dream catcher. You can follow along with my instructions below, or create your own variation.
2. Using heavy gauge wire cutters, cut 8 inches of 16 gauge wire. Form a circle measuring 2.5 inches in diameter. Close the hoop by bringing the two ends of wire together and making a wrapped wire loop.
3. Next, cut 3 feet of faux suede and wrap it all the way around the hoop as shown in the video.
4. Using scissors, cut 4 feet of size 18 S-Lon cord and begin weaving the webbing inside the hoop as shown in the video. As you're working, be sure to add glue to all your S-Lon knots for security.
5. Once you start the second layer of the weave, begin to add one green bead and one gold bead to each of 8 sections of the web moving inward.
6. Once you start the fourth layer of the weave, begin to add one carnelian bead to each of 4 sections of the web moving inward.
7. Complete the final fifth layer of the weave, and tie it off with a square knot. Be sure to add glue to your end knot for security.
8. Once your dream catcher hoop and webbing are complete, please watch the video: How to Embellish a Dream Catcher Hoop. In this video, you will see suggestions for decorating your hoop with ribbons, charms, and stone beads. Follow the instructions below (please see photo for reference), or create your own variation.
9. Using scissors, cut five 6 inch lengths of S-Lon cord.
10. Onto your first length of cord, string on one quartz spear, tie an overhand knot, and then string on two gold beads and one green bead. Tie the other end of the cord onto the left side of the hoop 1 inch up from the bottom center of the hoop.
11. Onto your second length of cord, string on the feather charm, tie an overhand knot, and then string on one gold bead and one green bead. Tie the other end of the cord onto the left side of the hoop 0.5 inch up from the bottom center of the hoop.
12. Onto your third length of cord, string on one quartz spear, tie an overhand knot, and then string on one wood bead, one green bead, one gold bead, and one carnelian bead. Tie the other end of the cord onto bottom center of the hoop.

13. Onto your fourth length of cord, string on the dragonfly charm, tie an overhand knot, and then string on one carnelian bead, one green bead, one wood bead, and one gold bead. Tie the other end of the cord onto the right side of the hoop 0.5 inch up from the bottom center of the hoop.

14. Onto your fifth length of cord, string on one quartz spear, tie an overhand knot, and then string on two green beads and one gold bead.

15. Next, cut 4 three inch lengths of ribbon and tie them to the hoop between each length of strung dangles (please see photo for reference) using a larks head knot.

16. Finally, cut a 3 inch length of ribbon and loop it through the top wire wrap of your dream catcher, and tie it off with an overhand knot.

This project uses winter-themed elements, but feel free to incorporate your choice of colors and charms.