

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas Necklace

Project N132

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Chock full of red, green, and gold baubles, silk ribbon, and a heaping helping of Christmas cheer, this is one necklace that will definitely make the season brighter.



What You'll Need

- 1 (1 package) - Silk Fabric Fairy Ribbon 2cm "Crimson Red" 40 Inch Strand (*XCR-47008*)
- 1 (1 package) - Silk Fabric String 2mm "Emerald Green" 42 Inch Strand (*XCR-46105*)
- 2 (1 package) - Gold Plated Open 4mm Jump Rings 21 Gauge (*FJR-5240*)
- 2 (1 package) - Gold Plated Closed 10mm Jump Rings 18 Gauge (*FJR-4030*)
- 12 (1 package) - Gold Plated Round Beads 2.5mm (*BMB-5126*)
- 14 (1 package) - 22K Gold Plated 5mm Round Metal Beads (25) (*BMB-5064*)
- 6 (1 package) - Gold Plated Heishe Spacers Beads 5mm (*BMB-5230*)
- 14 (1 package) - Czech Seed Beads 6/0 Snow White Opaque (*BCS-6140*)
- 6 (1 package) - Green Candy Jade 8mm Round Beads (*SPJD-39*)
- 2 (1 package) - Czech Cathedral Glass Beads 8mm Ruby Red Gold Ends (*BCP-6920*)
- 1 (1 package) - Bright Gold Plated Filigree Open Leaf Bead Caps 12mm (*BMB-6466*)
- 1 (1 package) - Bright Gold Plated Scalloped Flower Bead Caps 8mm (*BMB-6471*)
- 1 (1 package) - Hand Blown Lampwork Glass 28mm Huge Round Beads Ruby Red Black White Swirl (*BGL-1942*)
- 2 (1 package) - Hand Blown Lampwork Glass 13mm Round Beads Ruby Red Bubbles (*BGL-1362*)
- 2 (1 package) - Hand Blown Lampwork Glass 16mm Rondelle Beads Topaz Gold Foil (*BGL-1503*)
- 2 (1 package) - Hand Blown Lampwork Glass 13mm Round Beads Topaz Gold Foil (*BGL-1360*)
- 1 (1 package) - Gold Plated Head Pins 21 Gauge 2 Inches (*FHP-5220*)
- 6 (1 package) - Bright Gold Plated Open Petal Flower Bead Caps 7mm (*BMB-6454*)
- 1 (1 package) - Gold Plated Brass Capsule Magnetic Clasps 6mm x 19mm (*FCL-6671*)
- 2 (1 package) - Gold Plated Ribbon Pinch Crimps Cord Ends 10mm or 3/8" (*FCR-1421*)
- 15" (1 package) - Beadalon Beading Wire Gold Color 19 Strand .018 Inch 15 Feet (*XCR-69893*)
- 2 (1 package) - Beadalon Gold Plated Brass Crimp Tubes 1.3mm (*FCR-1205*)

Instructions:

1. Begin by threading the following onto a headpin:
 - o a 12mm filigree open leaf bead cap
 - o a 28mm blown glass bead
 - o an 8mm scalloped flower bead cap
2. Create a wrapped loop on the headpin and trim off excess wire. Set this aside.
3. Cut a piece of beading wire at fifteen inches long and secure one end of it with a Bead Stopper.
4. Thread the following onto the wire:
 - o a 2.5mm round gold bead
 - o a 4mm round gold bead
 - o a white seed bead
 - o a 2.5mm round gold bead
 - o a green jade bead
 - o a 2.5mm round gold bead
 - o a white seed bead
 - o a 4mm round gold bead
 - o a 7mm bead cap
 - o a 13mm round topaz blown glass bead
 - o a 7mm bead cap
 - o a 4mm round gold bead
 - o a cathedral bead
 - o a 2.5mm round gold bead
 - o a white seed bead
 - o a 2.5mm round gold bead
 - o a green jade bead
 - o a 2.5mm round gold bead
 - o a white seed bead
 - o a heishe spacer
 - o a 7mm bead cap
 - o a 16mm topaz rondelle blown glass bead
 - o a 7mm bead cap
 - o a heishe spacer
 - o a white seed bead
 - o a heishe spacer
 - o a 7mm bead cap
 - o a 13mm red blown glass bead
 - o a 7mm bead cap
 - o a 4mm round gold bead
 - o a white seed bead
 - o a 4mm round gold bead
 - o a green jade bead
 - o a 4mm round gold bead
 - o a white seed bead
 - o a 4mm round gold bead.
5. At this point, thread the large 28mm blown glass with a wrapped loop onto your wire.
6. Thread the other half of the strand exactly like the first, only in reverse order.
7. When you get to the end thread a crimp bead, but do not crimp it yet.
8. Thread the end of the wire through a large closed jump ring and back through the crimp bead, and crimp it down.
9. Remove the bead stopper from the other end and repeat the last two steps.
10. Cut both pieces of your silk ribbon in half using a sharp pair of scissors.
11. Through both jump rings on either side of the necklace thread a green and a red ribbon. Fold in half.
12. Trim both sides of the ribbon so that the red and green are equal lengths and so both sides of the necklace are equal lengths.
13. Tightly roll the ends of the ribbons and insert them into a pinch crimp cord end (one on either side).
14. Using a pair of nylon jaw pliers or smooth chain nose pliers, gently pinch the cord ends closed. To make sure the ribbons are secure, you may add a dab of adhesive, such as E6000.
15. To each of the loops on the crimp ends, add a small jump ring.
16. Add one half of the magnetic clasp to one of the jump rings, and the other half to the other jump ring.

You may want to make your necklace shorter. To do this, either just cut the ribbon to a shorter length or forego the magnetic clasp and simply tie the ribbon into a pretty and decorative bow.