

Bees Knees Bracelet

Project B3025

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This delightful bee-inspired charm bracelet features a Vintaj natural brass bumble bee stamping pendant and Miyuki glass cube beads in transparent Light Topaz Luster. It is a fun, whimsical piece.

What You'll Need

Antiqued Brass Long Short Etched Textured Oval Chain 6mm - Bulk By The Foot

SKU: CHA-9971

Project uses 6.5 inches

Miyuki 4mm Glass Cube Beads Transparent Light Topaz Luster 2439 10 Grams

SKU: DSQ-2439

Project uses 17 pieces



Vintaj Natural Brass Bumble Bee Stamping Pendant 26.5x33mm (1)

SKU: PND-7584

Project uses 1 piece



TierraCast Brass Oxide Finish Pewter Heirloom Toggle Clasp 14.7mm (1)

SKU: FCL-7800

Project uses 1 piece



Swarovski Crystal, 2058 Flatback Rhinestones Xilion No Hotfix ss9, 72 Pieces, Hematite

SKU: SWF-40915

Project uses 3 pieces



Vintaj Natural Brass Busy Bee Charms 13 x 17mm (2)

SKU: PND-7103

Project uses 2 pieces



Antiqued Brass Open Jump Rings 5mm 20 Gauge (x100)

SKU: FJR-5471

Project uses 21 pieces



Antiqued Brass Head Pins 2 Inches Long/22 Gauge (X50)

SKU: FHP-6312

Project uses 17 pieces



G S Hypo Cement Precise Applicator Essential!

SKU: XTL-1001

Project uses 1 piece



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5514] Beadsmith Jewelry Fine Round Nose Micro Pliers, [XTL-5600] Xuron Sharp Flush

Cutter Pliers - Wire/Soft Flex, [XTL-2222] Vintaj Metal Relief Block For Filing, Buffing &

Sanding, [XTL-4000] Beadsmith Bead And Pearl Knotting Tweezers









Instructions

This bracelet measures 7.5" inches with the clasp. To make the bracelet shorter or longer, simply adjust the length of your chain.

- 1. Before you begin, please watch the video on on How To Make A Simple Wire Loop because you will be making many for this project.
- 2. Your chain is made up of smaller and larger links. Using your flush cutters, cut a 6.5" length of chain, making sure you snip off the smaller link and are left with the larger link on either end.
- 3. Using your chain nose pliers, open up a jump ring and slide it onto the last link on one side of your chain. And also slide on the loop from your toggle clasp and close the jump ring.
- 4. Open up another jump ring and slide it onto the last link on the other side of your chain, slide on the loop from your toggle bar and close. Set your chain aside.
- 5. Next, take a head pin and slide on a Light Topaz cube bead and create a simple wire loop.
- 6. Repeat this step 16 more times, so you have a total of 17 beaded dangles.
- 7. Now, using your chain nose pliers, open up 17 jump rings.
- 8. One by one, slide on a jump ring and link your bead dangles onto the smaller chain links on your chain length. I scattered mine evenly throughout the chain, starting from the jump ring that attaches my toggle clasp on either side of my bracelet.
- 9. Next, take your 3 bee charms and using the side of your Vintaj Relief Block, sand the tops to reveal the detail. (If you are unsure how to do this, please watch this video).
- 10. Next, using the applicator tip on your Hypo Cement glue, add tiny dabs onto your large bee stamping; one on the back and one on each wing. With your tweezers, pick up your Hematite flatbacks one by one and place them onto the glue, flat side down. Refer to photo for placement details.
- 11. Next, open up 5 jump rings. Slide one onto the hole on your larger bee stamping and keep open. Slide one open jump ring onto the loops on your 2 smaller bee stampings and close. Next, slide on another open jump ring onto the closed ones, so each small bee stamping has 2. (The second jump ring will allow these smaller pendants to dangle more easily) Do not close the second jump rings quite yet.
- 12. With a ruler, measure the center point of your bracelet (which is at about the 3.75― mark) and slide on your large bee stamping through the open jump ring onto the chain (since your chain is made up of smaller and larger links, be sure to slide the bee stamping onto a larger link.) Close the jump ring. See photo for details.
- 13. Slide on the two smaller bee charms through their open jump rings, about an inch away from the larger stamping, on either side. Close their jump rings.
- 14. Your bracelet is done!