

Watchful Swallow Necklace

Project N7023

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Small cultured pearls in shades of bronze and caramel, accented by faceted metallic Czech glass beads, form an earthy setting for a Vintaj brass bird pendant.

What You'll Need

Bronze Gold Round Cultured Potato Pearls 3-5mm (16 Inch Strand)

SKU: PEC-1012

Project uses 107 pieces



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

SKU: BCP-3309

Project uses 17 pieces



Vintaj Natural Brass, Watchful Bird Pendant 17mm, 2 Pieces

SKU: PND-3739

Project uses 1 piece



Griffin Silk Beading Cord & Needle Size 2 Brown

SKU: XCR-9219

Project uses 1 piece



22K Gold Plated Clamshells Knot Covers (50)

SKU: FCR-2060

Project uses 2 pieces



22K Gold Plated Open Jump Rings 4mm 21 Gauge (x100)

SKU: FJR-5240

Project uses 1 piece



Beadsmith 22K Gold Plated Magnetic Barrel Clasps 11x5mm (4 Sets)

SKU: FCL-6809

Project uses 1 piece



G S Hypo Cement Precise Applicator Essential!

SKU: XTL-1001

Project uses 1 piece



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-4001] Beadsmith Bent Fine Point Tweezers For Bead And Pearl Knotting, [XTL-5511] Beadsmith Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat Nose, [XTL-5514] Beadsmith Jewelry Fine Round Nose Micro Pliers, [XTL-0109] Beadsmith Extra-Fine Thread Snips - Cuts Textiles, Yarn, And More!



Instructions

These instructions will create a 22 inch necklace. For a longer or shorter necklace, adjust the number of knotted pearls and Czech glass beads.

1. Begin by watching our video on how to do pearl knotting using tweezers.
2. Following what you learned in the video, unwrap your Griffin silk from the card and find the end of the cord without the attached needle. Make an overhand knot, and triple knot it so it will stay securely in the clamshell knot cover.
3. As shown in the video, slide the hole of the clamshell knot cover onto the needle tip of your thread and slide it down to your knot so the clamshell cups the knot. Place a dab of Hypo Cement on the knot. Trim off the thread tail with thread snips. Gently close the knot cover with pliers.
4. Make one overhand knot using tweezers to secure the clamshell cover in place.
5. Now, begin knotting your pearls and glass beads. String your beads in the following pattern: 3 pearls, 1 Czech glass bead, 10 pearls, 1 Czech glass bead. Repeat this pattern until the necklace is 21 inches long.
6. Once your knotting is done, create a knot after the last pearl and then string on another gold clamshell knot cover so the clamshell is facing away from the last knot. Make an overhand knot close to the clamshell cup to secure the knot cover, and then triple knot it. Place a dab of Hypo Cement on the knot. Trim off the thread tail with thread snips. Then close the knot cover with pliers.
7. Slide the open hook attached to one clamshell knot cover through the loop on one half of your magnetic clasp. Use your pliers to close the hook. Repeat on the other side of your necklace with the other half of the clasp.
8. Open one 4mm jump ring. Slide on the loop of one Vintaj bird pendant. Find the center of the necklace and close the jump ring around a knot between two pearls at the center.
9. Enjoy your necklace!