

Earth Song Necklace

Project N7042

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This earthy assortment of chunky gemstone beads feels like a lovingly collected treasure trove, strung between lengths of faux leather cord.

What You'll Need

Gemstone Mix Lot Medium Nugget Beads 4-20mm (14.5 Inch Strand)

SKU: SPMX-41

Project uses 11 pieces



Pukalet Wood Beads, Dyed Oval Tubes 12x8mm, 33 Pieces, Robles Brown Lacquer

SKU: BWD-0216

Project uses 6 pieces



Czech Tri-Cut Seed Beads 10/0 'Gold Premium' (1 Strand/360 Beads)

SKU: BCS-9001

Project uses 9 pieces



Black Pleather Cord 1mm (Faux Leather) 3 Meters

SKU: XCR-4111

Project uses 24 inches



22K Gold Plated Foldover 3mm Cord Ends For Ribbon

SKU: FCR-1447

Project uses 2 pieces



Beadalon Wire Gold Color 7 Strand Medium .018 Inch / 30Ft

SKU: XCR-67893

Project uses 10 inches



Beadalon Gold Plated Crimp Tubes 1.3mm (75 Beads)

SKU: FCR-1205

Project uses 4 pieces



G S Hypo Cement Precise Applicator Essential!

SKU: XTL-1001

Project uses 1 piece



22K Gold Plated Open Jump Rings 5mm 20 Gauge (100)

SKU: FJR-5250

Project uses 2 pieces



Gold Plated Curved Lobster Clasps 12mm (10 Pieces)

SKU: FCL-2514

Project uses 1 piece



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5600] Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - For Cutting Beading Wire, 1 Piece, [XTL-5260] Beadsmith Fold Over Crimping Pliers For Leather & Suede Findings, [XTL-5200] Standard Size Beading Crimping Pliers (For 2x2mm & 2x1mm Crimp Beads), [XTL-5511] Beadsmith Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat Nose, [XTL-5514] Beadsmith Jewelry Fine Round Nose Micro Pliers

Instructions

These instructions will make a 22 inch necklace. For a longer or shorter necklace, adjust the length of faux leather cord on both sides of the necklace.

1. Using flush cutters, cut a 12 inch length of faux leather cord.
2. Make an overhand knot close to one end of the length of cord. Place a dab of Hypo Cement glue on the knot. Let dry for a few minutes.
3. String three wood oval beads onto the cord and slide them down to the knot. Make another overhand knot close to the last bead strung.
4. Place a dab of Hypo Cement into the well of one gold fold over crimp and slide the end of the cord without the knot into the crimp. Use the fold over crimping pliers to crimp the cord end.
5. Repeat steps 1-4, creating the other side of the necklace.
6. Using flush cutters, cut a 5 inch length of gold beading wire.
7. String one crimp tube onto the beading wire. Wrap the end of the wire around one piece of the faux leather cord between the first and second wood beads, then take the wire back through the crimp tube and pull snug. Crimp the crimp tube with crimping pliers.
8. String one gemstone bead, followed by one gold Czech seed bead. Repeat this pattern until you have three inches of beads strung on the beading wire.
9. String another crimp tube. Wrap the end of the wire around the other piece of faux leather cord between the first and second wood beads, then take the wire back through the crimp tube and pull snug. Crimp the crimp tube with crimping pliers.
10. Repeat steps 6-9, except attach this length of beading wire between the second and third wood beads on both sides of the necklace, creating a second gemstone strand connecting the lengths of faux leather cord.
11. Open a jump ring. Slide it onto the loop of one cord end, and also slide on the loop of your clasp. Close the jump ring.
12. Open another jump ring. Slide it onto the loop of the cord end on the other side of the necklace. Close the jump ring.
13. Enjoy your necklace!