

Pisces Necklace

Project N735 [Skill Level: Beginner]
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Koi fish are symbols of strength and perseverance and the two koi fish in the classic ying yang pose are common zodiac symbols for pisces. This meaningful necklace would make a lovely gift for a loved one or a special piece just for you.



What You'll Need

Nunn Design Antiqued Copper Plated Chain Flat Cable 4mm By The Ft
SKU: CHA-9811
Project uses 19 inches

Nunn Design Antiqued Gold Plated Chain Flat Cable 4mm By The Foot
SKU: CHA-9810
Project uses 19 inches

Nunn Design Antiqued Nunn Design Silver Plated Chain Flat Cable By The Foot
SKU: CHA-9809
Project uses 12 inches

Vintaj Artisan Pewter Dual Koi Fish Pendant 22.5x30mm (1)
SKU: PND-7483
Project uses 1 piece

Vintaj Artisan Pewter Dual Ring Connector Link 9.5x21.5mm (1)
SKU: FCO-5273
Project uses 2 pieces

Vintaj Artisan Pewter Swirl Toggle Clasp 20mm (1 Set)
SKU: FCL-9067
Project uses 1 clasp

Antiqued Silver Plated Open Jump Rings 6mm 20 Gauge (50)
SKU: FJR-3094
Project uses 2 pieces

Nunn Design Antiqued Copper Plated Rectangle Flat Tag Pendant 1 1/2 Inch (1)
SKU: PND-6651
Project uses 1 piece



Specialized Tools

Beadsmith Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat Nose
SKU: XTL-5511



Xuron Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - Wire/Soft Flex
SKU: XTL-5600



Instructions:

Please note you will also need some tape for this project.

1. Start this project by cutting the following lengths of chain: 2 lengths of copper plated chain that are 3.5 inches long each and 1 length of copper plated chain that is 12 inches long; 2 lengths of gold plated chain that are 3.5 inches long each and 1 length of gold plated chain that is 12 inches long; and 1 length of silver plated chain that is 12 inches long.
2. The end chain links on all of your cut chains are "open" links, meaning that you can open and close them just like jump rings.
3. Open the end chain link on all 3 of your 12 inch long chains and connect these to the larger circle of Vintaj pewter oval Etruscan connector link. Tape the smaller circle end to a stable flat surface. Create a simple 3 strand braid with your three lengths of chain. When you run out of chain to braid, connect the end chain links to your other Vintaj pewter oval Etruscan connector link (large circle again).
4. Open the end chain link on one of your 3.5" gold chains and connect this to the small loop on your connector link (from the last step). Close the link. Repeat with your 3.5" copper chain. Connect the other ends of the chains to the toggle bar part of your clasp.
5. Repeat the previous step on the other side of your necklace but instead of connecting them directly to the ring part of your toggle clasp, connect the chain ends to a 6mm jump ring and then connect that jump ring to the ring part of the toggle clasp.
6. Open another 6mm jump ring and connect this to your Nunn Design copper plated flat tag and your Vintaj pewter Koi Fish pendant. Before closing the jump ring, link it around your braided chains. Close the jump ring.
7. Enjoy!

Variations

For a variation on this design, try a different Vintaj pewter focal piece such as the fortune coin or large leaf pendant.

When substituting in items, pay attention to sizes and styles to make sure all your pieces will fit together.



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