

Au Naturale Necklace

Project N8078

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Mini bouquets of pressed organics are suspended in resin and framed by rectangular open back bezels in this necklace featuring Nunn Design elements.

What You'll Need

Nunn Design Open Frame, Large Organic Hoop, 21mm, 1 Piece, Antiqued Silver

SKU: PND-3415 Project uses 1 piece

Nunn Design Itsy Charm, Lotus Flower 9mm, 1 Piece, Antiqued Gold Plated

SKU: PND-3305 Project uses 1 piece

Nunn Design Flat Tag Pendant, Elongated Diamond 41mm 1 Piece, Antiqued Silver

SKU: PNT-142 Project uses 1 piece

Nunn Design Open Frame Pendant, Rectangle 12.5x31mm, 1 Piece, Antiqued Gold

SKU: PND-00631 Project uses 1 piece

Nunn Design Open Frame Pendant, Rectangle 9.5x25mm, 1 Piece, Bright Silver

SKU: PND-00637 Project uses 1 piece

Nunn Design Antiqued 24kt Gold Plated Open Jump Rings Etched 6.5mm 17 Gauge (10)

SKU: FJR-2069 Project uses 6 pieces

Nunn Design Antiqued Silver Plated Open Jump Rings Twist 8.5mm 17 Gauge (10)

SKU: FJR-2066 Project uses 3 pieces

Silver Plated Open Jump Rings 5mm 20 Gauge (x100)

SKU: FJR-5150 Project uses 2 pieces

Silver Plated Foldover 3mm Cord Ends For Ribbon (20)

SKU: FCR-1446 Project uses 2 pieces

Nunn Design Antiqued Silver Plated Lobster Clasps 12mm (2)

Project uses 1 piece

SKU: FCL-7522





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Beadsmith Medium Brown Faux Leather Suede Beading Cord 9Ft (3 Yd) Spool

SKU: XCR-43102

Project uses 27 inches



Nunn Design 2-Part Epoxy Resin Kit, Jewelers Grade Clear, 8 Oz Kit

SKU: TRC-14

Project uses 1 kit



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-100] Micro Grip Pliers, Side Cutters, 4.5 Inches Long, 1 Piece, [XTL-101] Micro Grip Pliers, Long Chain Nose, 5 Inches Long, 1 Piece, [XTL-103] Micro Grip Pliers, Bent Chain Nose, 5 Inches Long, 1 Piece

Instructions

In addition to the materials listed, you will also need pressed organics, toothpicks, a face mask, disposable gloves, and a heat source such as a lighter or small torch to complete this project. Be sure to cover your work surface when using resin. These instructions will make a 27.5 inch necklace. To adjust the size, choose your desired length of cord.

- 1. If you are new to 2-part epoxy resin, please watch the video: How to Use Nunn Design Resin.
- 2. Please watch the video: How to Incorporate Organic Matter into 2-Part Resin by Becky Nunn. Set up your bezels on thick tape as shown in the video.
- 3. Put on your face mask and disposable gloves. Based on the technique shown in the video in step 1, mix the resin in a mixing cup and stir gently with a craft stick until all striations are gone.
- 4. Based on the technique shown in the video in step 2, prepare your organics and position them in each of your rectangular bezels. Then carefully fill each bezel with the desired amount of resin. Remove any air bubbles with a heat source such a small torch. Let the resin harden and cure for three days in a dust-free and well-ventilated area before proceeding.
- 5. To assemble your pendant: Use pliers to open a 6.5mm gold etched jump ring, and attach your lotus charm to the silver hoop. Close the jump ring. Note: Be sure to hang each of your charms so that they are facing forward, working from left to right.
- 6. Open an 8.5mm silver twist jump ring, and attach your silver rectangle bezel to the silver loop. Close the jump ring.
- 7. Connect five 6.5mm gold etched jump rings and attach the elongated diamond flat tag onto the silver hoop.
- 8. Attach your gold rectangle bezel onto the silver hoop in the same manner as you did in step 6, this time using two jump rings.
- 9. Next, use cutters to cut 27.5 inches of faux leather suede cord. Fold your cord at the center and tie it onto the silver hoop using a lark's head knot (see photo for reference).
- 10. Use the fold over crimping plier to attach a 3mm foldover cord end onto one side of your cord. Repeat this step on the opposite side of your necklace.
- 11. Finally, open a 5mm jump ring, and attach the loop of your lobster clasp onto one cord end. Open another jump ring, and attach it onto the other cord end. Enjoy!