

Free Spirit Necklace or Multi-Wrap Bracelet

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Supply List

- Size 11° seed beads 24 grams
- 6mm Swarovski pearls 16 ea. of 3 colors (48 total)
- Oval Hinged Clasp (20x16mm)
 - Available at jillwisemandesigns.com
- Beading needle, Size 10, 11, or 12
- Fireline, or beading thread of your choice



By using a cool "Twister Connector" clasp with jump rings, this piece of jewelry has a bunch of ways to wear it! You can twist it around your wrist multiple times for a great wrap bracelet, wear it long, or double it and wear it as a shorter necklace!

The two long strands of beadweaving will be attached directly to the jump rings.

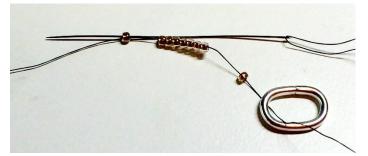
Measure off about 3 yards of Fireline – I know this is a long length, but it will allow you to do an entire strand and reinforce it all with one length. If that's too long for you to work with, you can use 1.5 yards and then tie on another length to do the reinforcement.

Thread your needle. You'll need to mash down the end of your Fireline to get thread through the eye of the needle. You can do this using your fingernail on a hard surface, or by using running the end between two fingernails. In these instructions, I'm going to refer to Fireline as "thread".



Throughout these instructions, I'll show you the beads you are adding in green.

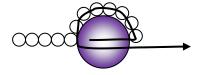
 Pick up 9 size 11° beads and bring them down so you have about 6 inches of thread below them.
 Pass the needle through one of the jump rings from your clasp, and then pass back through the first bead (nearest the tail) going towards the tail. See the photo for help.



2. After tightening the beads up and getting rid of any slack thread, use both the tail thread and the working thread to tie a square knot at the base of the beads to keep them tight around the jump ring.

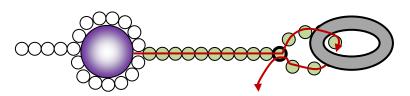
To tie a square knot, you tie two overhand knots – first passing the right side over the left and tighten down to make a knot, and then on the second knot you pass the left side over the right and tighten down. The two knots together are a single square knot that is very secure.

3. Pick up 10 size 11° seed beads and a pearl. Then pick up 7 more seed beads, and pass back through the pearl again. The seed beads will sit on the outside of the pearl. Now repeat that – another 7 seed beads and pass through the pearl again.



If necessary, you can tug the pearl back down to snug up against the other seed beads in the strand so you don't have thread showing. I have to do this all the time.

- 4. Repeat Step 3 until you have added around 24 pearls. Wrap it multiple times around your wrist as you go (not too tight like you'd want a bracelet to fit) to find a perfect stopping point for your length. You'll be adding 10 more seed beads after the last pearl, then another 9 seed beads to create a matching loop for the other jump ring attachment, so take that into consideration.
- 5. To finish, add 10 seed beads after the last pearl, then pick up another 9 beads and run the needle through the second jump ring. Then pass back through the 9th seed bead from the end, working back towards the long length of the necklace. Tighten up, and tie a half-hitch knot to keep the loop secure.





- 6. I do suggest going back through the entire strand to tighten up any loose spots and to reinforce it. Right now only a single strand of Fireline is connecting it, and you wouldn't want to catch the strand on something accidentally and when you pull, have the strand break. So I go back and pass the thread down the entire center strand again. You can pass through one of the pearl loops periodically to help hold the tension in. When you finish, tie a couple of half-hitch knots to end off the thread and then cut off the rest.
- 7. Repeat steps 1-6 to add a second strand to the jump rings. Then wear it, and enjoy!

If you need additional help, check out the videos on my YouTube channel for tips — I have a video demonstrating how to end your thread using knots, for instance.

We hope you enjoy your jewelry! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me at jill@jillwisemandesigns.com.

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