

Pearl Filigree

Designed by the Funkster herself!
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as shown in BeadStyle and Bead & Button



Supplies needed

(Kits available at www.funkyhannahs.com)

7" bracelet:

- 67 3mm Swarovski Pearl
- 20 4mm Swarovski Pearl
- 10 4mm Swarovski Crystal Bicones
- 15° Japanese Seed Beads

Crystal Fireline, Fine
Size 12 needles

Start with LOADS of fireline (3 yards) and thread size 12 needle. To manage this much thread, we are going to leave 1.5 yards of fireline as the tail and build the bracelet from the middle - out... You'll see! It is a great way to build a symmetrical bracelet that takes a lot of thread!

1) Making the LINK

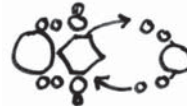
Pick up (1) 4mm pearl, (2) seed beads, (1) 4mm crystal bicone, (2) seed beads and go back into 1st pearl where the tail is exiting the bead. Pull tight and the beads will form a circle. Bring your needle through all these same beads again to tighten.



With needle coming out of the bicone, add (1) 3mm pearl, a seed bead and go back down into pearl and crystal bicone. Repeat on opposite side of bicone.



With needle coming out of the bicone, add (2) seed beads, (1) 4mm pearl and (2) seed beads. Go back into middle bicone opposite hole from where the thread is coming out. Run needle and thread through this same newly added beads again to secure.



2)

Making the CHAIN

Position needle exiting the last pearl you put on. Add (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (1) 4mm pearl, (1) 3mm pearl, seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl and stitch back into the pearl your thread is coming out of, only the opposite hole. The beads will form a circle. Run your needle and thread through this new grouping of beads to tighten and secure.



3) To Add Links

Position needle coming out of end pearl. This pearl will be the first one in your link. Add (2) seed beads, (1) bicone, (2) seed beads and stitch back into the base pearl, opposite hole from where the thread is coming out. Stitch through these beads again to secure.



Beads & Art

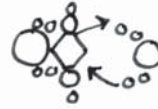
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With needle coming out of a bicone, add (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead and go back down into pearl and crystal bicone. Repeat on opposite side of bicone.



With needle coming out of the bicone, add (2) seed beads, (1) 4mm pearl and (2) seed beads. Go back into middle bicone opposite hole from where the thread is coming out. Run needle and thread through this same newly added beads again to secure.



Continue making the chain following #2 and add links following #3. When you start running short on thread, switch your needle to your long tail thread and work from that end of the bracelet.

Adding & Ending Thread

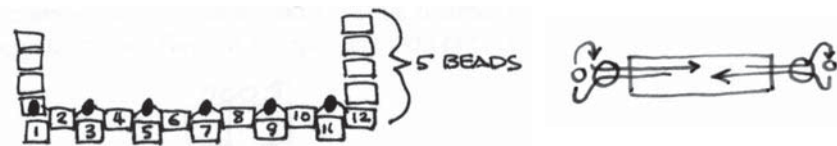
If you are running low on thread on both ends, you will have to add more thread by weaving away the old thread back into the work and weave in a new thread. You may use a knot within your work if you are more comfortable knowing there is a knot. The best spot to position a knot is on a pearl in a chain section.

Adding Your Clasp

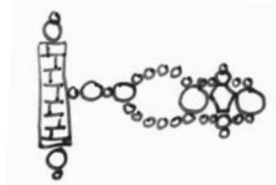
Loop: At the end of a link add (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead and (1) 3mm pearl. Stitch back into the base pearl, opposite hole from where the thread is coming out. Stitch through these beads several times to add strength.



Toggle: Make a peyote bead 12 beads wide and 5 beads up on each side. Zip the peyote bead together. To embellish the ends of your peyote bead, bring your needle down the middle of the peyote tube and add (1) 3mm pearl and (1) seed bead. Stitch back through just the pearl and into the peyote tube, ready to do the same thing on the other end. Repeat running your needle and thread through both embellishment beads to add strength.



Weave your needle and thread through the beads in the peyote bead and pop out between rows 6 & 7... this is the middle of the peyote bead. Add (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (1) seed bead, (1) 3mm pearl, (5) seed beads and stitch into the end cube of the bracelet. Add (5) more seed beads and stitch back up through the 2 pearls you added earlier. Stitch into a bead of the peyote toggle and run your needle and thread back through all the beads you just put on to secure. Do this same thing again so you have 3 thread passes holding the toggle in place. Weave away the thread and you are finished! Wear & enjoy!!!



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