

“Aikanaka” Necklace*



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Tools: Flat-nose pliers, cutters

Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Name</u>
1 str	#22-551-SM	Fish vertebrae trade beads
12	#29-953	5x5mm red wood barrel beads
1	#39-414-1	Hidden-end magnetic clasp
6	#29-911-23	8x23mm oval bamboo beads
18”	#61-413-49-87	0.013” 49-strand Beadalon®
2	#41-251-9	Size 1 smooth crimp beads, gunmetal

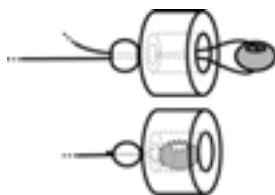
Note: Any seed bead will do for securing clasp, we used:
2 20-228-011 2.1mm Toho® seed beads, opaque

To make this design:

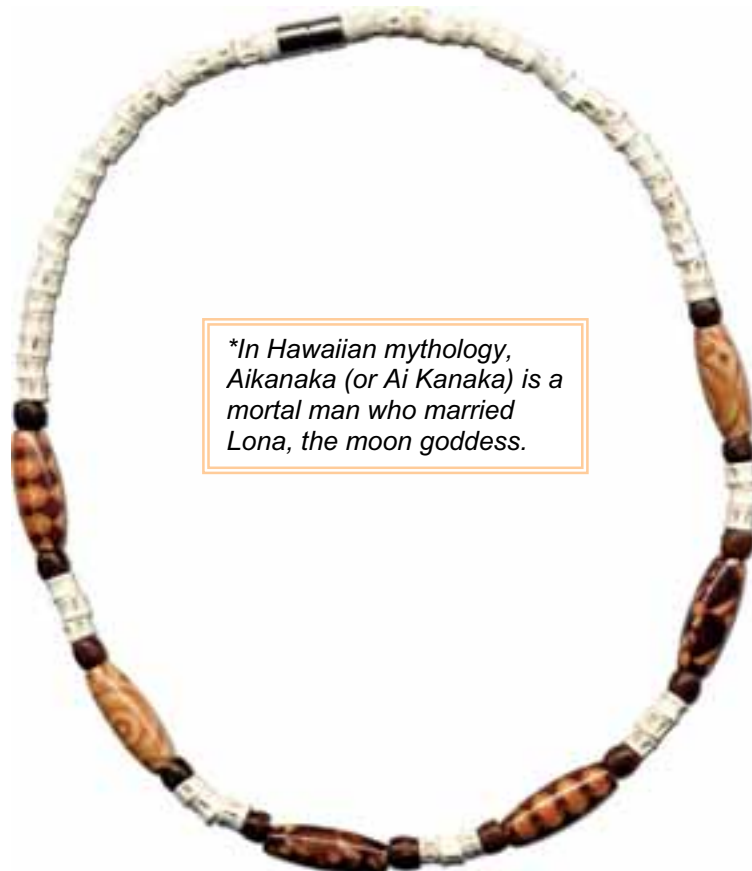
1. String a crimp bead, one end of the magnetic clasp, and a seed bead onto the Beadalon.

TIP: Stringing wire through a seed bead and back out through the crimp adds extra security with our strong magnetic clasps.

2. Loop the wire back through the clasp end and the crimp bead as shown in the illustration. Pull the wire tight.



3. Flatten the crimp bead and trim the excess.
4. String 22 fish vertebrae, then string beads in the following pattern: red wood bead, bamboo bead, red wood bead, three fish vertebrae.
5. Repeat this pattern six times.
6. String 22 fish vertebrae followed by the other end of the magnetic clasp, a seed bead and a crimp bead.
7. Pull the necklace tight and flatten the crimp bead as close to the clasp end as possible.
8. Trim excess wire and allow the seed bead to drop into the clasp where it will be hidden.



**In Hawaiian mythology, Aikanaka (or Ai Kanaka) is a mortal man who married Lona, the moon goddess.*