

“Heart’s Greatest Hits” Bracelet

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Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock #</u>	<u>Name</u>
6	05-520-12-24	12mm Swarovski® crystal graphic beads, jet
6	05-520-12-90	12mm Swarovski crystal graphic beads, ruby
11	46-366-3-01	6mm Swarovski rhinestone squaredelle beads, silver-plated/crystal
1	39-554	Heart-shaped toggle clasp, sterling silver
2	41-045	4x3x1mm "cable thimble" wire protectors, sterling silver
2	41-553	2x1mm crimp tubes, sterling silver
2	48-584	4mm crimp covers, sterling silver
9"	61-733-49-87	0.024" 49-strand Beadalon® stringing cable, bright steel



Tools: cutters, crimping pliers

To make this design:

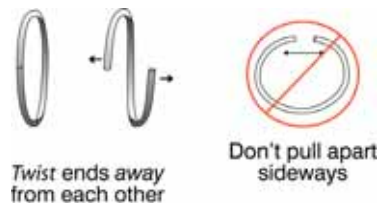
1. Use the crystals from the suggested materials list, or other colors of your choosing.
2. Using the “Techniques for Stringing with Beading Cable” on the back, string the beads, as pictured.
3. The finished length of this bracelet is 7½". For a different size, adjust the amount of crystals, and stringing cable.

TIP: “Cable thimble” wire protectors are similar to bullion, but sturdier. The preformed channel prevents fraying on stringing cable and cord. It is usually placed where you make a loop to attach the clasp. Don't pinch closed – the horseshoe design allows for some slack on the cord to reduce stress.

Techniques for Stringing with Beading Cable

1. Cut wire cable 4" longer than desired necklace or bracelet length. String a crimp bead onto one end of the cable and loop back through crimp bead. Try to tuck excess cable inside your end beads, otherwise trim neatly with flush cutters. Flatten crimp bead with standard round- or flat-nose pliers. Use jump ring to attach one end of your clasp to cable.

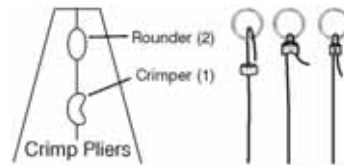
TIP: When opening and closing jump rings, twist sideways instead of "ovalling" them. This keeps their shape better, which makes them easier to close all the way. (As shown on the left.) To prevent marks on the ring use non-serrated flat-nose pliers.



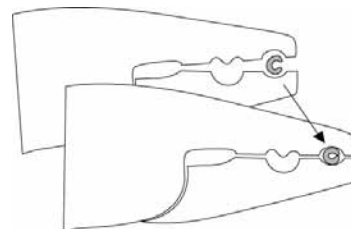
2. String desired pattern.
3. Add final crimp bead; loop cable back through your crimp like in step 1. Tuck excess cable inside end beads, otherwise trim neatly with flush cutters. Flatten crimp bead and attach other end of the clasp with a jump ring.
4. Some designs may require stringing the beads before finishing the cable ends. We recommend using Bead Stoppers™ (#69-144-06 and -16) to secure unfinished ends. When you have finished follow steps 1 and 3.

Variations:

- a. **Crimping pliers:** To make a nice rounded crimp bead, use the innermost section (1) of the pliers to crimp. Face crimp outward (as shown in example below) and use the outer section (2) of the pliers to round the bead.



- b. **Crimp covers:** Cover flattened crimps with a crimp cover. Make sure there is enough space around your crimp bead. Use section 2 (see picture above) of the crimping pliers to gently secure the cover over the bead.



- c. **Bullion:** Cut two pieces in precise equal lengths (approx. 1/2-3/4"), add one crimp tube and one piece of bullion to the end of wire cable. Loop the cable through one portion of clasp and back through the crimp tube. Pull gently until the bullion is flush against the crimp and crimp closed.



- d. **Wire protectors:** Guard wire cable from excessive wear with wire protectors. These are used the same way as bullion.

