

"The Asphalt Jungle" Necklace

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Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock #</u>	<u>Name</u>
38	05-810-06-203	6mm Swarovski® crystal faux pearls, bronze
12	21-880-192	10mm round gemstone beads, lava stone
1	39-349-9	15mm lobster clasp, gunmetal
1	41-216-9	6mm split ring, gunmetal
2	41-251-9	2mm crimp beads (size 1), gunmetal
17"	61-773-49-02	0.019" 49-strand Soft Flex® stringing cable, black

Tools: cutters, crimping pliers

To make this design:

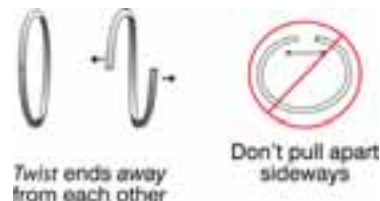
1. Cut approximately 17" of Soft Flex.
2. String on a crimp bead and a split ring.
3. Loop the Soft Flex back through the crimp bead and crimp. See tips on crimping on back.
4. String pearls and lava beads as shown.
5. Finish the choker by stringing on a crimp bead and lobster clasp, then looping the Soft Flex back through the crimp tube and crimp.
6. Trim excess bead cable.



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.

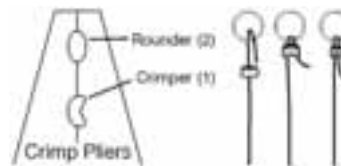
TIP: When opening and closing jump rings, twist sideways instead of "ovalling" them. This keeps their shape better, which makes them easier to close all the way. (As shown on the left.) To prevent marks on the ring use non-serrated flat-nose pliers.



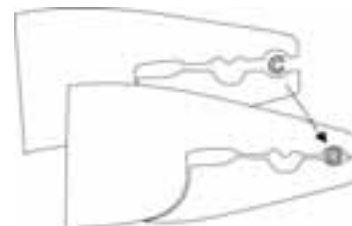
2. String desired pattern.
3. Add final crimp bead; loop cable back through your crimp like in step 1. Tuck excess cable inside end beads, otherwise trim neatly with flush cutters. Flatten crimp bead and attach other end of the clasp with a jump ring.
4. Some designs may require stringing the beads before 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.

