

"Baubles of Blue" Bracelet

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Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock #</u>	<u>Name</u>
5	23-446-582	6mm round Czech glass faceted firepolish beads, montana
6	23-446-921	6mm round Czech glass faceted firepolish beads, crystal/tanzanite
3	28-333-55-02	13mm handmade lampwork glass rondelle beads, black/multicolor
6	27-556-3	6mm granulated metallized plastic round beads, silver plate
4	49-947-25-AS	8mm TierraCast™ pamada spacer beads, antiqued silver
2	26-815-129	16mm collared round beads with decorative girdle, silver plate
4	24-120-41-9	10mm round coiled-wire balls, gunmetal
3	21-000-192-91	12mm rotund gemstone beads, lava stone
6	43-137-AS	10mm TierraCast scalloped cast large-hole bead caps, antiqued silver
12	37-482-01-AP	2" head pins with large ball-and-rope end, antiqued pewter
5	37-482-02-AP	2" head pins with small ball-and-rope end, antiqued pewter
7	37-482-04-AP	2" dotted-flower-end head pins, antiqued pewter
9	37-422-3	2" standard head pins, silver plate
1	40-347-9	7.2" disk-and-loop bracelet, gunmetal
11		Small metal brads (found at scrapbooking, craft, and hobby stores)

Tools: flush cutters, bent-nose pliers, chain-nose pliers, round-nose pliers, household drill

To make this design:

1. Drill holes into each disk pad and attach the metal brads to embellish each disk.

TIP: For a random feel to the bracelet, do not center the holes on the disk. The brads can also be put in place after attaching the baubles.

2. Add the beads and bead caps to head pins as pictured; attach to the bracelet loops and make wrapped loops.

TIP: Place three bead groupings on each loop, usually one larger bead and two smaller ones. Attach some beads to the top of the loop, some to the bottom. Placing the largest beads first makes this a bit easier.

To make nice wire-wrapped beaded head and eye pins:

(For best results, use both chain-nose and round-nose pliers.)

1. Use chain-nose pliers to grasp the wire just above the top of the bead.
2. Use your fingers to bend the wire sharply over the top of the pliers, at a 90° angle. You should have 2-3mm of straight wire between the bead and the bend (less for fine-gauge wire, more for heavy wire or more wraps).
3. Use round-nose pliers to grasp a spot just above the bend, and use your fingers to smoothly bend the wire all the way around the tip of the pliers. (For different sizes of loops, bend the wire around thinner or thicker portions of the pliers' tip.)
4. Now use pliers to grasp the wire firmly across the loop. Use your fingers or chain-nose pliers to carefully wrap the wire around the stem. For best control, experts recommend you break this step into a series of half wraps.
5. Trim excess with flush cutters.

