

# "Life Saver" Necklace

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## Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock #</u>	<u>Name</u>
1	21-644-095	40mm gemstone donut, fancy jasper
4"	40-099-15-3	3.9mm rollo chain, silver plate
6	21-884-095	4mm round gemstone beads, fancy jasper
6	37-415-3	1.5" thin head pins, silver plate
1	39-249-3	7.4x14mm lobster clasp, silver plate
4	41-259-3	Extra-large crimp beads, silver plate
6	49-954-03-AS	3mm TierraCast™ Bali-style flower beads, antiqued silver
2	49-954-05-AS	5mm TierraCast Bali-style flower spacer beads, antiqued silver
36"	61-551-03	1mm leather cord, dark brown
1	37-147-1	5x7mm oval jump ring, white

**Tools:** chain-nose pliers, round-nose pliers, non-serrated flat-nose pliers, scissors

## To make this design:

### Gemstone Dangles:

1. Add 3mm flower spacers, and 4mm round beads to head pins and make wrapped loops, as pictured.

### Chain Bail:

1. Cut a 2" piece of chain. Open the seventh link from the end of the chain, insert 3 gemstone dangles, and close the link.
2. Place the chain through the hole of the donut, and connect the end links with the oval jump ring.

### Necklace Extender Chain:

1. Cut a 2" piece of chain. Open the end link, insert the remaining 3 of the gemstone dangles and close the link.

### Cord Assembly:

1. Cut a 36" piece of 1mm leather cord.
2. Cut the cord ends at sharp angled points, to facilitate easier threading of the elements.
3. Thread the extender chain onto the cord, and position it at the halfway point (18").



4. Thread two large crimp beads onto both cord ends, at once. This is a tight fit; the sharply angled cut ends will be very helpful in accomplishing this task. Position the first crimp bead close to the necklace extender chain. Position the second crimp bead 1/8" beyond the first crimp bead. With non-serrated flat-nose pliers, gently flatten both crimp beads.
5. Thread both cord ends through the oval jump ring on the donut bail.
6. On both cord ends, thread a large crimp bead. Position the bead about 1/2" from the point of the desired finished length. Gently flatten the crimp bead.
7. On one of the cord ends, thread another large crimp bead, followed by a lobster clasp. Thread the cord end back through the crimp bead. Position this 1/8" from the first crimp bead, and gently flatten.
8. Knot the two ends together, between the two crimp beads. On each end, thread a 5mm flower spacer. Tie a single knot after each bead.

### To Make 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.

