

"Celtic Cowgirl" Bracelet

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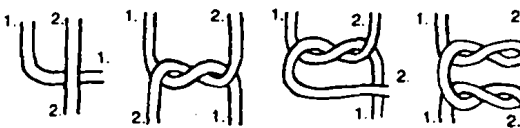
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Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Name</u>
1	#30-772-3	8" bangle bracelet, silver plated
6'	#61-551-01	1mm leather cord, natural
2	#37-422-3	2" standard head pins, silver plated
2 links	#40-099-27-3	14mm flat ring footage chain, silver plated
1	#20-642-01-011	12mm freshwater coin-shaped pearls, white
1	#49-947-30-AS	Cast rope-edge cube beads, antiqued silver
2	#49-954-04-AS	4mm cast flower spacer beads, antiqued silver
3 links	#40-099-19-3	4.6mm drawn cable footage chain, silver plated (optional)
1	#49-944-19	Celtic cross charm, cast antiqued pewter
3	#37-145-1	5x7mm oval jump rings, white (optional, or in place of footage chain links)
1	#41-259-3	3.5mm crimp bead, silver plated

Tools: Round-nose pliers, chain-nose pliers, non-serrated flat-nose pliers, scissors and side cutters

To make this design:

1. Cut a six foot length of 1mm leather cord. Fold the cord so you have two equal halves.
2. Using a square knot (basic macramé illustration at right), begin tightly knotting, starting near the hook end of the bangle bracelet. The bracelet serves as a form, or as the third "cord" inside the knot. 
3. Continue the square knot until half your bracelet is covered (about 22 knots).
4. Using side cutters, remove one circle link from the footage chain, making sure you have one circle link with one "staple"-shaped connector link still attached.
5. Connect one half of the staple link to the bangle bracelet (as shown in the image above). Similar to a fold-over crimp, simply close the staple link over the bangle.
6. Continue the square knot until the bracelet is completely covered (about 22 more square knots).
7. To finish the end of the bracelet, slide one large crimp bead over both "tails". Gently flatten the crimp bead with your non-serrated flat-nose pliers. TIP: Cutting the leather cord at a sharp diagonal makes it easier to thread.
8. Thread a 4mm cast flower bead onto each "tail". Knot the cord beyond the bead, about 1" from the bracelet. Cut off the excess cord.
9. To make the adornment charms, place a coin pearl on a head pin. Form a loop 1/8" above the pearl. Wire-wrap the end of the head pin to finish the loop. Repeat this process with the rope-edge cube bead.
10. Use drawn cable chain links, or standard oval jump rings to attach each of the charms to the flat-ring link at the center of the bracelet. Charms should dangle freely.