

“Niagara” Attachable Charm

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Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock #</u>	<u>Name</u>
1”	40-099-15-4	3.9mm rolo chain, gold plate
1	39-249-4	7x14mm lobster clasp, gold plate
1	49-940-02-AG	20mm beaded round picture-frame charm, antiqued gold
1	60-230	Epoxy 330 adhesive
1	n/a	Artisan-made 12mm round fused-glass cabochon



Tools: flat-nose pliers, chain-nose pliers, file (#69-047 works well for metal, and #69-048 works well for stone, glass and ceramic), rubbing alcohol or acetone

To make this design:

1. Mix the 2-part epoxy according to the manufacturer’s directions.
2. Roughen the surface of the cabochon and add a small amount of adhesive to the back.
3. As you set the cabochon into the frame, the glue will fill the setting.
4. Allow the adhesive to thoroughly dry.
5. Use chain-nose pliers to open chain links and attach to the lobster clasp and frame.

TIPS:

- Proper surface preparation is critical. Glue holds best if the surfaces to be glued are not smooth and glossy. Use a file to roughen the gluing surface of any smooth artisan elements before gluing. Thoroughly clean the gluing surfaces with rubbing alcohol or acetone just prior to gluing.
- Be careful not to add too much 2-part epoxy or it will ooze beyond the setting’s edge and require clean up.