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CRYSTALLIZED™-Swarovski Elements

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- Crystal Components
- Crystal Pearls
- Crystal Sew-On Stones

BEADS

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- Lampwork Glass Beads
- Cubic Zirconia Beads
- Artist Beads
- Lucite Beads

JAPANESE SEED BEADS

- Round Seed Beads
- Seed Bead Shapes
- Delicas by Number
- Delicas by Color

NATURAL BEADS

- Gemstone Beads
- Freshwater Pearls
- Wood, Shell, Horn, Bone
- Felt and Resin Beads

METAL BEADS

- Alphabet Beads
- Silver Beads
- Gold Beads
- Pewter Beads
- Brass Beads
- Copper Beads
- Thai Hill Tribe Silver

CHARMS AND PENDANTS

- Silver Charms
- Gold Charms
- Pewter Charms
- Brass Charms
- Collage Pendants
- Pendants
- Buttons

SILVER COMPONENTS

- Findings
- Clasps

Techniques: Making a Wire Wrapped Bead Cap

Beading Techniques > Wire Working Techniques > Making a Wire Wrapped Bead Cap



Materials

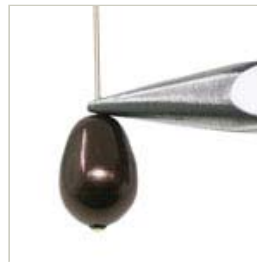
- Bead(s) with a center drilled hole
- Long head pin (we used a 24 gauge 3 inch head pin)

Tools

- Round Nose Pliers
- Chain Nose Pliers
- Wire Cutters



Step 1
Begin a basic wire wrap by stringing a bead or beads on the head pin. Remember to have at least two inches of wire above the last bead.



Step 2
Using the tips of your chain nose pliers, grab the wire directly above the last bead.



Step 3
With your finger, push the wire to a 90° angle.



Step 4
Using your round nose pliers, grasp the wire right at the bend.



Step 5
Pull the wire around the round nose pliers until it is almost pointing directly down.



Step 6
Reposition your pliers by opening your round nose pliers (but do not pull the pliers out of the loop) and pivot your pliers so the bottom tip is on the top.

Ear Wires
Links, Caps, Components
Bangles and Rings

GOLD COMPONENTS

Findings
Clasps
Ear Wires
Links, Caps, Components
Bangles and Rings

PEWTER COMPONENTS

Findings
Clasps

Ear Wires
Links, Caps, Components

BRASS COMPONENTS

Findings
Clasps

Ear Wires
Links, Caps, Components

COPPER COMPONENTS

Findings
Clasps

Ear Wires
Links, Caps, Components

BASE METAL COMPONENTS

Findings
Clasps

Ear Wires
Links and Components

STRINGING MATERIALS

Chain
Wire
Beading Wire
Beading Thread
Elastic, Cord and Ribbon

TOOLS AND SUPPLIES

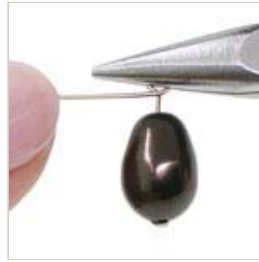
Bead Kits
Tools
Design Tools
Storage Supplies
Gift Bags and Boxes
Books, DVDs and Software

MIXED MEDIA & CRAFTS

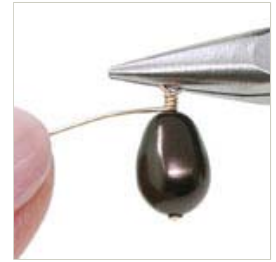
Resin and Glaze
Stamping Tools
Sheet Metal
Stamping Blanks & Charms
Soldering
Add a Bead Products



Step 7
Continue pulling the wire around the nose of the pliers until the loop is completely round.



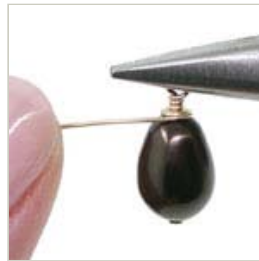
Step 8
To then wrap the loop, grip the loop with the chain nose pliers and grip the end of the wire with your fingers.



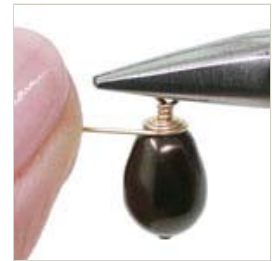
Step 9
Wrap the wire around the head pin. Continue wrapping the wire down to the bead like you would for a basic wire wrap.



Step 10
Once you have completed the basic wire wrap, begin making the cap by first wrapping the wire around the last wrap.



Step 11
Again, do another wrap around the one in step 10. Use the wrap from step 10 to form against. This will be your second wrap of the bead cap.



Step 12
Stop wrapping when you have as large of a cap as desired. For this technique, we chose to do three wraps.



Step 13
Using the wire cutters, cut off the extra wire as close as you can to the beads.

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