

Rock and Raw by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 8.5 inches

Beads and other products needed for five bracelets:

Agate bangle:

- 9 beads - Short Simple Cut Gemstone Bead - Black Agate - 10mm (SE3339)
- 1 - 8.5 Inch Sterling Silver Plated Brass Flat Bangle Bracelet by Nunn Design (BM3245)
- 3 feet - 26 Gauge Round Gold Color Artistic Wire (AW2164)

Heliotrope bangle:

- 3 rhinestones - SS20 Crystal Meridian Blue Swarovski Crystal Xirius Flat Back Rhinestones (FT2676)
- 54 - 4mm Crystal Heliotrope Swarovski Crystal Bicone Beads (04BI1159)
- 1 - 8.5 Inch Sterling Silver Plated Brass Bezel Bangle Bracelet by Nunn Design (BM0595)
- 6 feet - 26 Gauge Round Gold Color Artistic Wire (AW2164)

Rainbow hematite bangle:

- 55 - 4mm Rainbow Hematite Round Gemstone Beads (SE3561)
- 1 - 8.5 Inch Antique Gold Plated Brass Flat Bangle Bracelet by Nunn Design (BM3243)
- 6 feet - 26 Gauge Round Non-Tarnish Silver Artistic Wire (AW2157)

Stardust beads bangle:

- 25 - 3mm Silver Plated Base Metal Stardust Round Beads (BM2581)
- 1 - 9.5x10.5mm Gold Plated Blossom Charm by Amoracast (VG0263)
- 1 - 13x12mm Sterling Silver Circle Surge Charm by Amoracast (SS8838)
- 1 - 8.5 Inch Antique Gold Plated Brass Flat Bangle Bracelet by Nunn Design (BM3247)
- 2 - 5mm Silver Plated Base Metal 21 Gauge Open Jump Rings (BM2731)
- 6.5 feet - 26 Gauge Round Non-Tarnish Silver Artistic Wire (AW2157)

Charm bangle:

- 1 - 12mm Crystal Heliotrope Swarovski Crystal Sun Pendant (SK1657)
- 1 - 18mm Crystal Black Patina Swarovski Crystal Spike Pendant (SK1775)
- 1 - 14x12mm Black Onyx Faceted Pear Gemstone Bead (SE1454)
- 1 rhinestones - SS20 Crystal Meridian Blue Swarovski Crystal Xirius Flat Back Rhinestones (FT2676)
- 1 - 12mm Antique Gold Plated Pewter Mini Circle Classic Flat Stamping Tag by Nunn Design (PE3421)
- 1 - 8.5 Inch Antique Silver Plated Brass Half Round Bangle Bracelet by Nunn Design (BM3240)
- 3 - 5mm Gold Plated Base Metal 21 Gauge Open Jump Rings (BM2732)
- 1 - 24 gauge Gold Plated Base Metal 3 inch Head Pin with 2mm Ball (BM2517)

Tools needed to complete the bracelets:

Round nose pliers
Chain nose pliers
Wire cutters
Jewel setter or tweezers
5 Minute Epoxy (TL1938)
Hypo Tube Cement (TL1202)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelets:

Opening and Closing a Jump Ring
Wire Wrapping
Covering a Bangle
Gluing Flat Back Rhinestones

Instructions to complete “Rock and Raw”:

Agate bangle:

Step 1

Wrap a 1-foot length of gold wire around the sterling silver plated brass flat bangle bracelet twice (see Covering a Bangle Technique), anchoring it in place.

Step 2

Following the Covering a Bangle Technique, string three black agate beads, wrap them onto the bangle, and anchor the wire. Cut the wire, and trim the remainder of the tail with wire cutters held flush against the bangle. Use chain nose pliers to squeeze the tail tightly against the bangle.

Step 3

Leaving about 1 inch of space uncovered on the bangle, repeat Steps 1 – 2 twice, attaching two more groups of black agate beads, three beads per group.

Step 4

Add a small drop of Hypo Tube Cement to the ends of the wire and let dry completely.

Heliotrope bangle:

Step 1

Squeeze a small amount of 5-minute Epoxy in a disposable tray or paper plate. Mix the 2 parts together thoroughly with a toothpick. Place a dot of the 5-minute Epoxy into one bezel in the sterling silver plated brass bezel bangle bracelet. Using a Jewel Setter or tweezers, place one Crystal Meridian Blue flat back rhinestone onto the epoxy, and allow it to dry (see Gluing Flat Back Rhinestones Technique).

Step 2

Repeat Step 1 with each of the two remaining bezels.

Step 3

Anchor a 2-foot length of gold wire to the bangle close to one bezel. Cover the bangle with 4mm Crystal Heliotrope crystal bicone beads, wrapping one bead at a time, until you reach the next bezel. Anchor the wire. Cut the wire, and trim the remainder of the tail with wire cutters held flush against the bangle. Use chain nose pliers to squeeze the tail tightly against the bangle.

Step 4

Repeat Step 3 twice, covering the spaces between the bezels (the number of crystals that fit between bezels will vary).

Step 5

Add a small drop of Hypo Tube Cement to the ends of the wire and let dry completely.

Rainbow hematite bangle:

Step 1

Anchor a 6-foot length of silver wire to the antique gold plated brass flat bangle bracelet. Cover the bangle with 55 4mm rainbow hematite round gemstone beads, wrapping one bead at a time. Anchor the wire. Cut the wire, and trim the remainder of the tail with wire cutters held flush against the bangle. Use chain nose pliers to squeeze the tail tightly against the bangle.

Step 2

Add a small drop of Hypo Tube Cement to the ends of the wire and let dry completely.

Stardust beads bangle:

Step 1

Wrap a 16-inch length of silver wire around the antique gold plated brass flat bangle bracelet twice, anchoring it in place.

Step 2

Following the Covering a Component Technique, wrap five 3mm silver stardust beads onto the bangle, one bead at a time, and anchor the wire. Cut the wire, and trim the remainder of the tail with wire cutters held flush against the bangle. Use chain nose pliers to squeeze the tail tightly against the bangle.

Step 3

Leaving about 1 inch of space uncovered on the bangle between groups, repeat Steps 1 – 2 four times, attaching four more groups of silver stardust beads, five beads per group.

Step 4

Add a small drop of Hypo Tube Cement to the ends of the wire and let dry completely.

Step 5

Open one 5mm silver jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique). Use the jump ring to attach the gold blossom charm to the bangle between two sections of wrapped beads. Close the jump ring.

Step 6

Repeat Step 5 with the silver circle surge charm.

Charm bangle:

Step 1

Squeeze a small amount of 5-minute Epoxy in a disposable tray or paper plate. Mix the 2 parts together thoroughly with a toothpick. Place a dot of 5-minute Epoxy onto the stamping tag. Using a Jewel Setter or tweezers, place one Crystal Meridian Blue flat back rhinestone onto the epoxy, and allow it to dry.

Step 2

Open one 5mm gold jump ring, and use it to attach the tag to the antique silver plated brass half round bangle bracelet. Close the jump ring.

Step 3

In the same manner as in Step 2, use 5mm jump rings to attach the 18mm Crystal Black Patina spike pendant and the 12mm Crystal Heliotrope Sun pendant to the bangle.

Step 4

Place one black onyx faceted pear gemstone bead onto a head pin, making one unit. Wire wrap (see Wire Wrapping Technique) this unit to the bangle.

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