

Magical Mermaid by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 18 inches (with 3-inch extender)

Beads and other products needed for one necklace:

45 beads - 4mm Antique Silver Plated Pewter Beaded Heishi Spacer Bulk Pack by TierraCast (PK0218)
46 beads - Peridot Fire Polished Round Glass Bead - 3mm (FP0117)
23 beads - Aquamarine AB Fire Polished Round Glass Bead - 4mm (FP0384)
23 beads - 3x6mm Peridot Florette Czech Pressed Glass Bead (GL7547)
44 beads - 6mm Aqua Cupped Flower Czech Glass Bead (GL9172)
1 - Pewter Mermaid Key Pendant by Green Girl Studios - 51mm (GG2329)
1 - Base Metal Lobster Claw Clasp - Stainless Steel - 12mm (BM3613)
3 inches - Base Metal 3.5mm Thin Oval Cable Chain - Antique Silver (CN5367)
1 - 24 gauge Silver Plated Brass 2 inch Head Pin (BM2691)
1 - 5mm Gunmetal Plated Base Metal 20 Gauge Open Jump Ring (BM2758)
2 - 2x2mm Sterling Silver Crimp Bead (SS4047)
2 - 3.5mm Sterling Silver Crimp Bead Cover (SS2103)
21 inches - Clear Soft Flex Wire .014 diameter (SM0310)

Tools needed to complete the necklace:

Round nose pliers
Chain nose pliers
Wire cutters
Crimping pliers (TL0500)
Stainless Steel Bead Stopper (TL1637) optional

Beading Techniques needed to complete the necklace:

Make Your Own Extender Chain
Opening and Closing a Jump Ring
Wire Wrapping

Instructions to complete “Magical Mermaid” necklace:

Step 1

Open the jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique). Attach the jump ring to the pendant, and close the jump ring.

Step 2

Place one crimp bead and the loop on the lobster claw clasp onto a 21-inch length of beading wire. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, and crimp the crimp bead (see Make Your Own Extender Chain Technique). Trim excess wire with wire cutters.

Step 3

String these beads in the following sequence onto the beading wire:

1 – 3mm Peridot Fire Polished round glass bead

1 – heishi spacer

1 – 4mm Aquamarine AB Fire Polished round glass bead

1 – heishi spacer

1 – 3mm Peridot Fire Polished round glass bead

1 – 6mm Aqua flower czech glass bead (cupped side facing the following bead)

1 – florette bead

1 – 6mm Aqua flower czech glass bead (cupped side facing the previous bead)

Repeat this sequence ten times, adding one 3mm Peridot Fire Polished round glass bead after the last repeat.

Then string:

the jump ring on the pendant

*1 – 3mm Peridot Fire Polished round glass bead

1 – 6mm Aqua flower czech glass bead (cupped side facing the following bead)

1 – florette bead

1 – 6mm Aqua flower czech glass bead (cupped side facing the previous bead)

1 – 3mm Peridot Fire Polished round glass bead

1 – heishi spacer

1 – 4mm Aquamarine AB Fire Polished round glass bead

1 – heishi spacer

Repeat the sequence from * ten times, adding one 3mm Peridot Fire Polished round glass bead after the last repeat.

Step 4

String one crimp bead and one end link of the 3-inch length of chain. Pass the wire back through the crimp bead, crimp the crimp bead, and trim excess wire with wire cutters.

Step 5

Place these beads in the following sequence onto a head pin, making one unit:

1 – florette bead

1 – heishi spacer

1 – 4mm Aquamarine AB fire polished bead

Wire wrap (see Wire Wrapping Technique) this unit to the unattached end chain link on the extender.

Step 6

Cover the crimp beads with crimp bead covers (see Crimp Bead Covers Technique).

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