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Approximate finished length: 23.75 inches

Beads and other products needed for one bracelet:

4 grams - Size 6 Silver Plated Metal Round Seed Bead (SB2983)

3 grams - Size 6 Matte Opaque Variegated Turquoise Round Japanese Seed Bead (SB3026)

6 grams - Size 3 Opaque Pepper Red Round Japanese Seed Beads by Toho - 45 (SB3763)

- 1 Pewter Thunderbird Charm by TierraCast 19mm Antique Silver (SP6626)
- 1 Pewter Western Button by TierraCast 20mm Antique Silver (SP6630)
- 1 5.5mm Silver Plated Brass 20 Gauge Open Jump Ring By TierraCast (SP0342)
- 2 Round Leather Cord Natural Antique Brown 1.5mm (SM5091)
- 1 One-G Beading Thread Sand Ash 50 yard spool (SM5253)

Tools needed to complete the bracelet:

Tulip Beading Needles - Size 11 (TL2648) Xuron Thread and Fiber Scissors (TL3000) Chain nose pliers Base Metal U-Pins (TL3200) or Clipboard Hypo Tube Cement (TL1202) - Optional

Beading Techniques needed to complete the bracelet:

Wrapped Cord Bracelet Opening and Closing a Jump Ring

Instructions to complete "Lasso" bracelet:

Step 1

String the button shank onto the cord and bring it to the center point.

Step 2

Tie an overhand knot just below the button.

Step 3

Thread a needle with an 8-foot length of thread, and slide the needle to the center to double the thread. Tie an overhand knot at the end of the thread.

Step 4

Tie the thread around the cord on the left using a lark's head knot. Pull the thread taut, and move the knot up towards the button.

Step 5

String one size 6 matte opaque turquoise seed bead.

Step 6

Pull the thread under both pieces of cord. Push the bead up between the two pieces of cord (see Wrapped Cord Bracelet Technique).

Step 7

Pass over the right cord, go back through the bead and pass over the left cord. Pull the thread taut.

Step 8

String one size 6 matte opaque turquoise seed bead.

Step 9

Repeat Steps 6 - 7.

Step 10

In the same manner as in the previous steps, continue wrapping beads in the following sequence:

- 1 size 6 matte opaque turquoise bead
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- 1 size 6 silver metal seed bead
- 1 size 6 silver metal seed bead
- 1 size 3 opaque pepper red seed bead
- 1 size 3 opaque pepper red seed bead
- 1 size 3 opaque pepper red seed bead
- 1 size 6 silver metal seed bead
- 1 size 6 silver metal seed bead

Repeat Steps 5 - 10 eleven times. Then continue wrapping beads in the following sequence:

- 1 size 6 matte opaque turquoise bead

Step 11

To finish off the thread, pass the needle under the left cord. Knot around the thread exiting the left side of the last bead. Repeat to create a double knot.

Step 12

Cut the excess thread near the knot. Optional - Dab Hypo-Tube cement onto the knot.

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Step 13

Then you are going to tie a few snake knots. To start your knot, you are going to take your left cord and create a loop with it, then insert the right cord through the loop. Then bring the right cord behind the left cord and insert the right cord through the loop that you made, tighten up the knot a little bit.

Step 14

To make the second knot, you are going to turn over the first knot. Then place the right cord behind the left cord, loosen up the first knot, then insert the right cord through the loop, tighten up the knot.

Step 15

Repeat Step 14, five times always build off of the last knot created.

Step 16

To create the button hole bring both pieces of the cord together. Slide the button between the two cords. Use your fingers to mark the distance on the cord, tie an overhand knot. Pull the knot tight

Step 17

Cut excess cord, leaving 1/4 inch tail.

Step 18

Open one jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique). Use the jump ring to attach the charm to the cord between the last size 6 matte opaque turquoise bead and the snake knots. Close the jump ring.

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