

Twinkle Set by Jodie

Simply made with chain and tigertail, Jodie has used a selection of beautiful cut glass oval beads but in a complete assortment of colours, used at random to give a really pretty soft rainbow effect. The chain is used double on the necklace to balance the size of the beads on the central focal beaded section.

If you have not used tigertail before you may find reading the Threading with Beading Wires useful before you start this project

Ingredients for Necklace and Bracelet

8x6mm Faceted Ovals
5 x GL3024 Light Sapphire; 5 x G3018 Light Colorado Topaz; 5 x GL3022 Pale Pink; 4 x GL3023 Tanzanite AB; 3 x GL3021 Amethyst AB; 4 x GL3028 Peridot AB; 4 x GL3026 Turquoise; 5 x GL3016 Crystal AB; 4 x GL3019 Red AB; 4 x GL3027 Teal AB

6x4mm Faceted Ovals
1 x GL3047 Teal; 1 x GL3042 Pale Pink; 1 x GL3041 Amethyst;

9 x MB664 Silver Star Beads;
7 x MB660 Silver Star Pendants;
9 x Silver Headpins;
11 x FN064 5mm Jumpings;
50cm Tigertail or Medium Softflex;
4 x French Crimps;
50cm FN130 Silver Chain;
2 x 7mm bolt ring fasteners

First make the star pendant pieces

that are used on both the necklace and bracelet. Put each of the 7 x MB660 star pendants onto a 5mm jumping. Thread one of the MB664 star beads onto a headpin, trim to about 12mm and turn a double loop in the top.

To Make the Bracelet

Cut 25cm of tigertail, loop one end and secure it with a French crimp, a jump ring and one end of the fastener. Thread on one 6mm oval; ** 2 x 8mm ovals, one MB664 pendant, 2 x 6mm ovals, one x MB660 metal star pendant ** repeat from ** to ** then add 2 more 8mm ovals, one MB664 pendant and 2 8mm ovals and finish the strand with a French crimp and the other end of the fastener.

To Make the Necklace

(1) Finish one end of the remaining tigertail with a loop and French crimp.

Thread on one 6mm oval; 2 x 8mm ovals; one MB664 pendant; 3 x 8mm ovals; one MB660 pendant; 3 x 8mm ovals; one MB664 pendant; 3 x 8mm ovals. Now thread on one MB660 pendant. This is your centre front. Repeat the sequence from * to * in reverse to complete the central sequence. Finish off the end of the tigertail with a French crimp, trimming the end back and tucking it into the end beads so that there the cut end is covered.

Now attach the chain to complete the necklace.

Cut the length of chain in half. Open a 4mm jumping and slip it into the central link on one of the chain lengths, then slip this jumping into the loop at one end of the tigertail centre piece made in (1) and secure. Repeat with the other piece of chain at the other side of the tigertail centre.

To complete the necklace, first check your length, and trim the chain back if necessary. Then bring the two ends on one side together with another 4mm jump ring and attach to one side of the fastener. Repeat on the other end to complete.