



## Nina's Crystal Drop Necklace

### Ingredients

75cm TG175 turquoise rayco thread  
 75cm TG011 1mm dark lavender cotton thonging  
 3 x FN065 silver jump rings  
 2 x FN150 large silver box lace ends  
 FN024 medium lobster fastener  
 RC390 purple AB size 6 rocailles (A)  
 RC562 frost teal AB size 6 rocailles (B)  
 1 x HC018 tear drop shaped large crystal  
 10cm 0.8mm half hard silver wire

If you have not used thong type threads before you may find it useful to read the [Threading with Thong](#) download from the Techniques page of the website before making this design

### To Make

First make the pendant drop for the centre of the necklace. Using the 0.8mm wire make a centred loop on one end, turn a right angle about 4mm from the base of the loop and then thread on the large drop shaped crystal, turn the wire at a right angle again, trim and turn another loop so that the two loops face each other just above the top of the bead. This technique for a 'sling bail' is shown more fully on the free download - [Wirework - Wrapped Loops & Balls](#) which you will find underneath the Techniques tab on the website.

Open the 6mm jump ring and slip it through both the loops above the crystal and close the jump ring.

The beads are threaded onto alternating strands of the necklace with decorative knots used as both a feature and a separator. The connecting knots are made by first tying a knot in one thread, and then tying a second knot directly on top of the first in a different thread (see right). This combines the two colours in the knot in a really pleasing way that is not difficult to achieve. All measurements between the knots are approximate – make the gaps longer or shorter to achieve your desired results.

Pass both strands of thread through the jump ring at the top of the crystal. About 2cm from the centre of the thread make a simple overhand knot in the purple thong on one side. Make a knot in the rayco thread directly on top of the knot just made in the purple thread. Now, onto one rayco strand, thread 2A, 1B, 2A, 1B, 2A. 3cm above this bead sequence tie another knot in the purple strand, and tie a knot in the rayco cord on top of this knot. Thread on 2B, 1A, 2B, 1A, 2B. 2cm above this sequence tie a knot in the purple strand, and tie a knot in the rayce over this knot as before.

7cm above this knot bring the two threads together in a large box lace end.

Repeat this sequence on the other side of the necklace, and attach the clasp to complete.

