



Finished Length
53cm plus tassel
strands

Beachcomber Necklace

Difficulty Rating 5/10
working with wire, pliers & jump rings

Making The Necklace

1 Making the Pendant - Cut 30cm of wire and make a 3mm diameter loop at the end. Thread on 1B, 1A and 1B. Trim the wire to 7-8mm and make a loop in the SAME PLANE as the loop at the other end of the wire to finish snugly to the last bead.

Repeat to make one more link to match.

Repeat to make three more links substituting the B beads for C beads - cut more wire as necessary.

2 Make a 4mm diameter loop at the end of the wire. Pass the un-looped end through the loop at one end of the first C bead link, 1A bead, the loop at the end of the first B bead link and 1A bead.

Repeat the sequence once and finish by passing through the end loop on the third (last) C bead link.

Trim the wire to 9-10mm and make a 4mm diameter loop in the SAME PLANE as the loop at the other end of this wire to fit snugly up to the last link threaded.

3 Repeat step 2 through the loops at the other ends of the B and C bead links to complete a firm square grid of links.

4 Making the Dangles - Make a 4mm loop at the end of the wire and thread on 1B. Trim to 9-10mm and make a loop in the SAME PLANE to fit snugly to the other end of the bead. Repeat to make another link to match.

Make a 6mm diameter loop at the end of the wire and thread on 1A. Trim the wire to 9-10mm and make a loop in the OPPOSITE PLANE to fit snugly to the bead.

Materials

To Make the Necklace

Sixteen 6mm turquoise cats-eye beads GL5676 (A)
Eight 9-10mm oval blue cats-eye beads GL5684 (B)
Six 9-10mm oval aqua cats-eye beads GL5681(C)
Three metallic feather pendants MB871(D)
Eight 4mm silver plated jump rings FN141
Four 6mm silver plated jump rings FN142
80cm of 0.8mm silver plated half-hard wire JW104
One silver plated medium lobster clasp FN023
50cm of silver plated 3mm link curb chain FN326

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You will also need a pair of round-nosed pliers, flat-faced pliers and wire cutters.

You need to get the loops in the correct planes to assemble this design.

See the info box below for extra links to help you to make them with ease.

5 Twist open a 6mm jump ring and thread on 1D, one of the B bead links just made and one of the loops at the bottom of the pendant grid. Close the jump ring.

Repeat to link the same combination to the other loop at the bottom of the grid. Position both of the new dangles so that the B bead links fall to the inside of the arrangement and the feathers to the outside - this will ensure the next link is easy to make.

Twist open the larger loop on the A bead link and pass it through the two free loops on the single B bead links - make sure everything is lying flat and there are no twists in the links. Close the loop.

Add a feather pendant to the bottom of the A bead link with a 6mm jump ring.

6 Making the Side Chains - Make four simple links with the remaining 2B and 2A beads with 3mm loops at each end. Use the 4mm jump rings to join first an A bead and then a B bead links to the top loops at each side of the pendant.

Cut the chain in half and add one piece to each side with 4mm jump rings. Link the clasp to one end and the last 6mm jump ring to the other with the last two 4mm jump rings.

If you would like more information on making loops, linking, using jump rings and getting loops in the same plane see the [Loops & Linking](#) and [Loops - a Professional Touch](#) free download under the **TECHNIQUES** tab on www.spellboundbead.co.uk

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