

BREA BEAD WORKS

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wire forming

MATERIALS

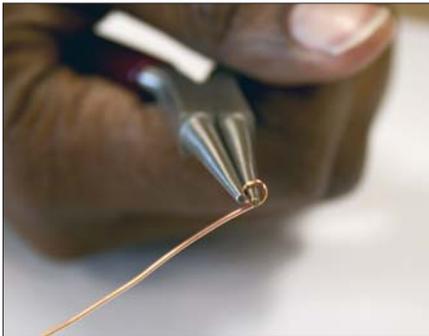
- ▷ ROUND wire; 12-gauge [15 inches]
- ▷ ROUND wire; 22-gauge [1 foot]
- ▷ Smooth round beads; 2mm [64 qty]
- ▷ Focal bead; 12-14mm [1 qty]

TOOLS

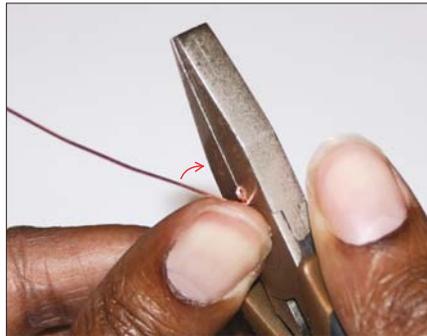
- ▷ Flat pliers
- ▷ Chain nose plier
- ▷ Round nose plier
- ▷ Flush cutter (must cut 12-ga wire)
- ▷ Ruler



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1. Start by creating two beaded beads. Cut 5 1/2" of 22-gauge wire and create an eyeloop on one end, large enough to thread over 12-gauge wire.



2. Create a spiral using about 1" of wire. Remaining wire should measure 4 1/2". Hold eyeloop at back of flatnose pliers for a firm grip. Using your thumb push straight wire around loop, rotate loop in pliers, and form again.



3. Your swirl should look similar to this.



4. String on (32) 2mm smooth round beads. Create an eyeloop on other end of wire that spirals inward towards first spiral end. Make sure eyeloop is large enough to thread over 12-gauge wire.



5. Form beaded coils by holding swirl end and slowly turning beaded wire, forming coils next to each other until you have about an inch of open wire.



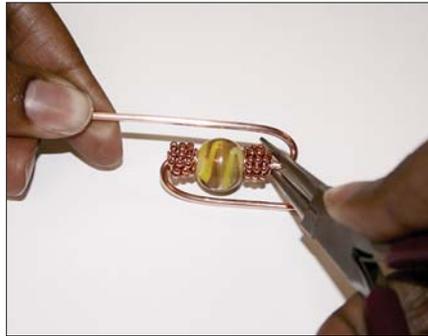
6. Create spiral on other end starting from the eyeloop. Tuck spiral into place on end of beaded coil, similar to a bead cap placement.

If you don't like the slack in your beaded coils, continue to spiral both ends equally.

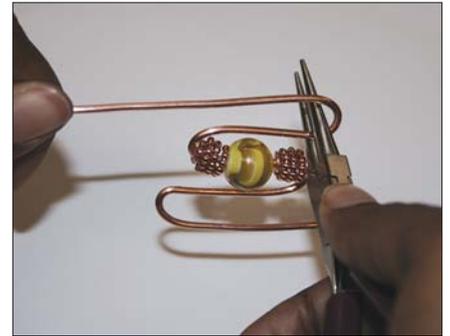
Repeat steps 1-6 to create another beaded bead.



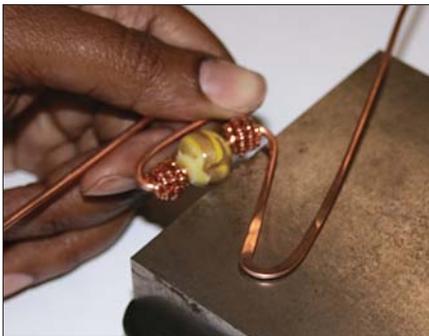
7. Cut a 15" piece of 12-gauge wire. String on your focal bead with your beaded beads on each side. Place beads at the center of 12-gauge wire.



8. Hold round nose pliers next to beaded bead and create a bend. Do the same for other side but in the opposite direction. Make sure there isn't a lot of slack in wire so your focal beads are sliding too much.



9. Line round nose pliers up with bend on focal segment and bend wire back in opposite direction. Do the same for other side.



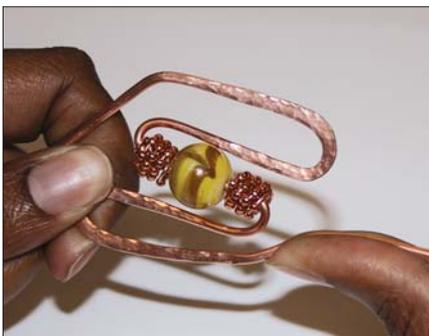
10. Pull out curved wire so that you can hammer curve. Be careful not to hammer your beads, and fingers. Flatten and texture, using the ball end, to your liking. Move curve back into place.



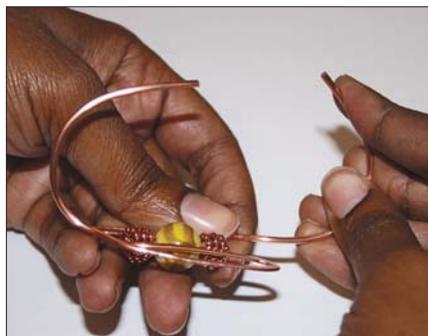
11. Do the same for other side.



12. Using flat nose pliers, bend remaining wire up towards the center point of cuff. Do the same for other side.



13. Using your thumb, form a smoother bend to transition the wire to form the cuff.



14. Hand form cuff or oval shape, trying it on occasionally for size. If necessary trim some excess wire from both ends. But leave enough at ends to form large eyeloops.



15. To finish, create eyeloops in opposite directions and hammer to harden.