

Code :ST04WIRE (.925) 0.4mm Wire.



Wire work is ideal for hanging beads/pendants that have a hole through the top of the bead. The guide uses a Swarovski heart for illustration purposes; but any bead with a hole through the top of any orientation can be used for this technique

A pendant with the hole through the top can be attached by using wire. By creating two connected loops, one loop will attach to the pendant and the other loop is attached to whatever the pendant is going to be suspended from. The diameter of the wire can vary but sterling silver 0.4mm half hard wire creates fine, delicate work whilst retaining strength. You may want to create your loop around the item that it will be hanging from, as you cannot open the loops after they have been created. But you also have the option of attaching using a jump ring as shown in final instruction 10.

- 1a. Cut a length of 10cms of the 0.4mm wire. Thread the wire through the hole in the heart. Have approximately 4cms protruding from the back of the heart with the remainder protruding from the front.
- 1b. Bend the wire using just your hands so both sides are upright.

Diagram 1a

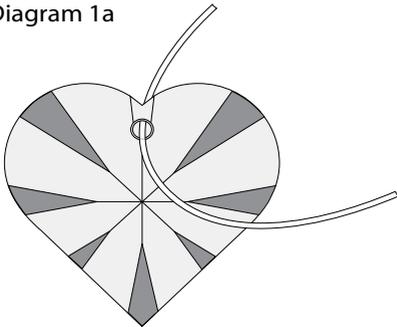
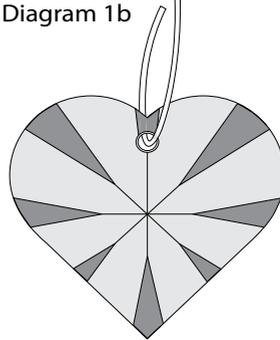


Diagram 1b



2a. Cross the wires with just your hands, bringing the shorter wire to the front

2b. Turn the heart to its side position; hold the wires in position with chain nose pliers,

2c. With your other hand, pull the shorter wire around the back of the longer length of wire. (Diagram 2a 2b & 2c)

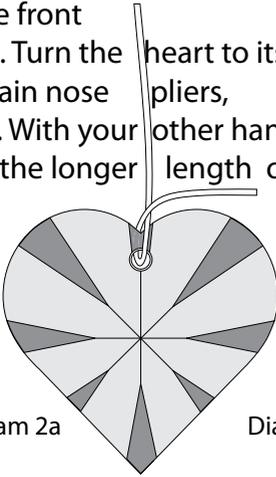
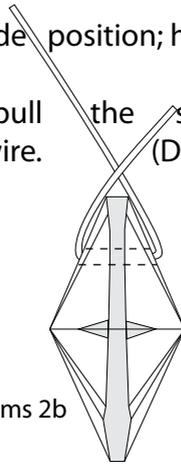


Diagram 2a



Diagrams 2b

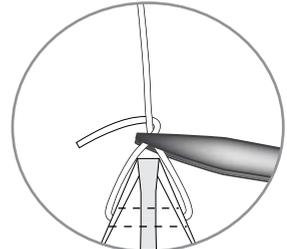


Diagram 2c

Cut off the excess wire as close as possible to the long stem .

3. Repeat turning the heart and wrapping the wire (short wraps control the wire, making the wire sit snugly next to the previous layer). The resulting wire will look like Diagram 3.

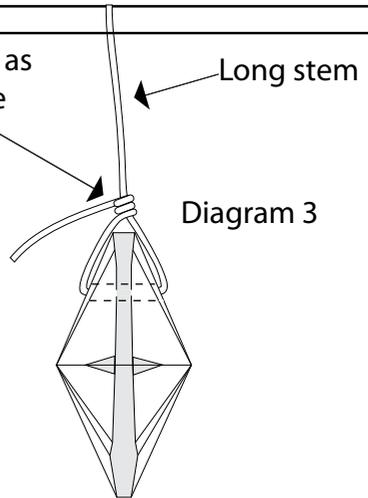
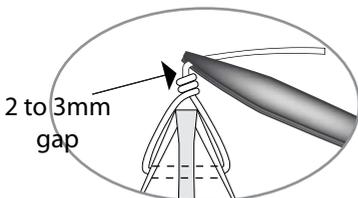


Diagram 3

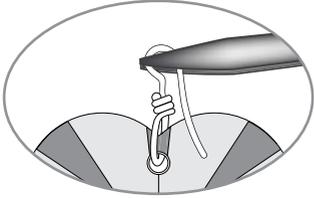
4. Use chain nose pliers to grip the wire pin close to; but leave a gap of a couple of millimetres from the top of the previous wrapped wire and gently bend the wire 90 degrees.



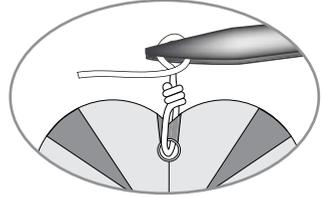
5. Place round nose pliers above but touching the 90 degree bend, with your spare hand wrap the charm pin wire around the pliers to create a loop.



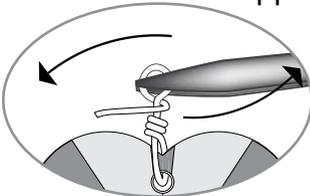
6. Hold the loop with chain nose pliers throughout the next four instructions.



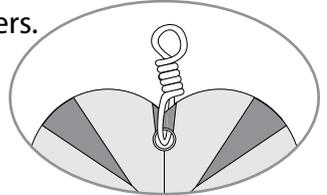
7. With your spare hand take tail of the charm pin and wrap the charm pin tail over the front of the neck of the wire. (Note: wrap in the direction that guarantees the two ends will meet up)



8. Rotate the bead 180 degrees bringing the tail of the Charm pin into the previous position and wrap the charm pin tail over the front of the neck of the wire. This allows more control over the wrapping.



9. Repeat step 7 and 8 until the charm pin tail is flush up against, the end of the wire coming up from the heart pendant. The excess wire is now cut off, and the two ends tucked in with chain nose pliers.



10. Attach a 3mm jump ring to the finished loop. The heart can now be attached to the bracelet. Always open jump ring as shown in diagram 9a

Diagram 9

Diagram 9a

