<u>Instructions to create the Essence - Beaded Bracelet</u> <u>using Traditional Czech seed beads</u>

The Essence - Star bracelet design uses (.925) gold finish liquid silver, & (.925) gold finish components or sterling silver, liquid silver and components.

The design also uses, Traditional Czech seed beads in size 9/0 & 11/0.

The beads are threaded onto Griffin Beading wire 49 strand cable. Elegant and stylish, with all the detail to stand out from the crowd.

Items required to create the *Essence Star bracelet*:

Griffin Beading wire Clear Coated 7x7 Cable 0.45mm/.018" Dia (.925) Silver or (.925) Gold Finish Cable End.

(.925) Silver or (.925) Gold Finish Trace Chain Oval 4x2.5mm Links.

(.925) Silver or (.925) Gold Finish 7.8mm Mini Oval Trigger Clasp.

(.925) Silver or (.925) Gold Finish 4.5mm jumpring.

(.925) Silver or (.925) Gold Finish Charm Pin 0.4 x 50mm.

Seed beads-Size 9 and 11/0

- 1. Using side cutters cut 25cm of beading wire. You can cut it longer if you need a longer length of bracelet.
- 2. Pick up onto the beading wire:
- a. 1 x seed bead (gold/silver) size 11/0
- b. 1 x seed bead (chosen colourway) size 9/0
- c. 1 x seed bead (gold/silver) size 11/0
- d. 6 x seed bead (chosen colourway) size 9/0
- e. 1 x seed bead (gold) size 11/0
- f. 1 x liquid silver/gold.



Diagram 1

3. Repeat instruction (2) from-c until you have nine sections of seed beads and eight liquid silver on the beading wire. Finish with one further size 9/0 seed bead and a final size 11/0 seed bead. This will give you a 17.5cm bracelet including the catch.

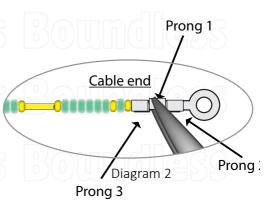
Note: The matching extender chain that we will be created at a later stage, allows a snug fitting bracelet with the added flexibility of variation in length.

The next step is to attach Cable End fittings to each side of the beading wire. The cable end is a neat and professional component perfect for a single strand of cable.

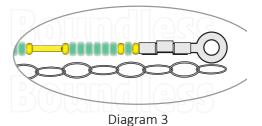
4. Slide each of the raw ends of cable into the cable end fitting. Using Chain Nose pliers, squeeze the prongs gently around the Cable.

Adjust the cable position within the fittings as required; squeeze the prongs more firmly from the sides and then squeeze the top and bottom to create a firm attachment evenly around the Cable. A final squeeze across the top and bottom for extra security if necessary.

Diagram (2)



5. Cut a length of chain measuring the same length as your completed strand of beads, including the cable end fittings attached and secured. Diagram 3



Attaching the clasp

6. Open up a 4.5mm jump ring with your chain nose pliers. (always open your jump rings apart gently one side towards you and one side away from you) On on side of the bracelet, slide your open jump ring into your cable end fitting and the last link of one end of your piece of chain. Now add your catch into the open jump ring as well.

Close the jump ring using chain nose pliers. Your clasp is now secured to one end of your bracelet.



Diagram 4

Before attaching a jump ring to the opposite side of the bracelet, to join the beaded strand and chain, we have to create an extender chain.

Creating an extender chain

(i) Cut a piece of chain so it consists of eleven links. Put aside until instruction (v)

Use a 50mm Charm pin to create the end.

Charm pins are 0.4mm diameter wire, which makes bending and shaping the wire easier. There is a small bead welded onto the bottom of the wire to hold the choice of beads on the wire.

(ii). Pick up onto your charm pin; from your colorway.

1 x size 11/0 seed bead

1 x size 9/0 seed bead

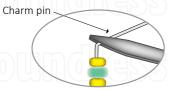
1 x size 11/0 seed bead

50mm charm pin

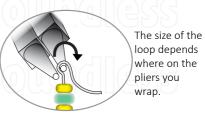
11/0 Seed bead

9/0 Seed bead

(iii). Holding the threaded beads in one hand, use chain nose pliers to grip the charm pin very close to the top of the seed bead and gently bend the wire 90 degrees.



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

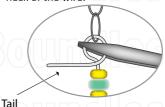


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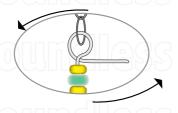
(v). Pick up the length of eleven links of chain, onto your loop. Hold the loop between chain nose pliers.



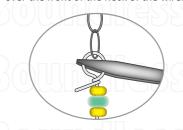
(vi). With your spare hand take the tail of the charm pin and wrap the charm pin tail over the front of the neck of the wire.



(vii). Rotate the beads 180 degrees bringing the tail of the Charm pin into the previous position. This allows more control over the wrapping



(viii). With your spare hand take the tail and continue to wrap the charm pin tail over the front of the neck of the wire.



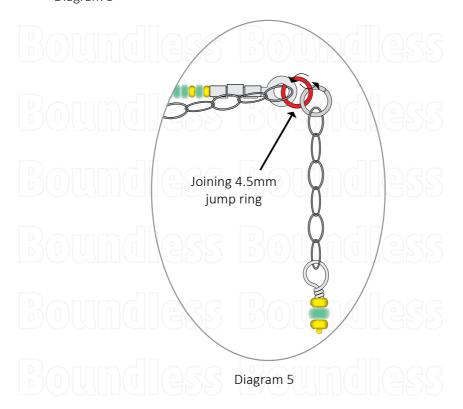
(ix). Repeat step (vii) and (viii) until the charm pin tail is flush up against, the top of the seed bead. The excess wire is now cut off, and the end tucked in with the tips of your chain nose pliers. This should be approximately three to four full wraps.



(x). open up a 4.5mm jump ring with your chain nose pliers (always open your jump rings apart gently one side towards you and one side away from you) and slide it into the top link of your piece of chain and re-close. The extender chain is now ready for the next stage.



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 - 7. Pick up a new 4.5mm jump ring and open up the jump ring using your chain nose pliers.
- On the opposite side of the bracelet to the catch end of the bracelet; Slide the open jump ring into your cable end fitting and the last link of chain. Before you close the jump ring, pick up your extender chain onto the open jump ring.
 - Close your jump ring.
 Diagram 5



The bracelet is complete.