

DESIGN WORKSHOP

BLUE LAVA PENDANT WITH BUTTON CHARM

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Materials

- (1) 6" piece Beadalon 20G German Style Antique Brass Wire 180R-020
- (4) 10" pieces Beadalon 22G German Style Antique Brass Wire 180R-022
- (1) 12" piece Beadalon 26G German Style Antique Brass Wire 180R-026
- Beadalon Chain Nose Pliers 201A-101
- Beadalon Wire Cutters 202A-105
- Beadalon Bale Maker 201A230
- Beadalon Round Nose Pliers 201A-104
- Michaels Crafts Bead Gallery Lava Cabochons 7 33421 98776 5
- Michaels Crafts Sienna Shimmer Charms 0 16318 21270 7
- Ruler

1. Cut all wires to size.
2. Using Beadalon chain nose pliers take 26G wire and make hook about $\frac{1}{4}$.
3. Keeping 20G wire in center, line up (2) 22G wires on either side.
4. Use ruler to find center of wire. Place 26G hook around the center and begin to make 15 tight wraps.

NOTE: All wraps should be tight and touching. Trim 26G wire.

5. Make another hook on end of 26G wire.

6. Approximately 1" from the center repeat step 4.

NOTE: All wraps should start and stop on same side of the wire. You now have (2) wraps.

7. Repeat on opposite side. You should have (3) separate wraps.

8. Position center wrap at bottom of cabochon and begin to shape wire around the stone. **NOTE:** When shaping wire, be sure to keep 20G wire in center and other wires flat.

9. Make hook on 26G wire.

10. Once you have shaped your wires, hook 26G around top where they meet. Make 5 tight wraps, working closest to pendant and up the wire. **NOTE:** DO NOT TRIM THE 26G WIRE.

11. Separate wires leaving the (2) 20G wires straight up. Each side should have (4) 22G wires.

12. Using Beadalon Bale tool, wrap (2) 20G wires around top to shape your pendant bale.

13. Using Beadalon Chain nose pliers, bend wires up, just behind the 26G wraps.

14. Take excess 26G wire and wrap it around the bale wire where the wires are bent up, (approximately 8 times). This will secure your bale.

15. Trim excess 26G and 20G wires. **NOTE:** The side where you cut your 20G wire is the back of the pendant.

16. Lay pendant on its front.

17. Using Beadalon Chain nose pliers, begin to pull 22G wires toward center. Start with outside wires, then pull next level. Repeat this step between each bound section.

18. Pop Heart cabochon in to place and repeat step 17 on front of pendant.

19. At top of Pendant, pull front (2) 22G wires downward.

20. Feed ends through the charm and slide it toward the top.

21. Wrap two wires around the loop of the charm, securing it into place.

22. Tuck excess wire.

23. Slide (3) wire on the right side downward.

24. Using Beadalon Round nose pliers make small loop on end of one of the wires pulled downward.

25. Using Beadalon Chain nose pliers, begin to make a swirl with the wire.

26. Repeat with all 3 wires.

27. Repeat steps 24-26 with remaining wires on left of pendant.

28. Position swirls to achieve the look you desire. Shown with swirls circling the charm.

29. Run hand over ends to ensure there are no sharp edges. If there are, use round nose pliers to tuck them in.