

DESIGN WORKSHOP

BEDAZZLING CUFF BRACELET

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Materials

- **Materials For An 8" Bracelet:**
- 20X26mm Bead Gallery® Slider Focal #94676
- 86 Crystal 6Mm Bead Gallery® Rounds #95564
- 28 Pewter Tierracast® Beads #93-0447-12
- .015" Diameter Beadalon® 49 #Jw10ns-0
- Triple-Strand Beadalon® Upper Clasp™ #303W-245
- 6 Beadalon® Crimp Beads #Jfc1s-1.5G
- 6 Beadalon® Crimp Covers #349B-030
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- **Tools:** Bead Stopper, Wire Nippers, Standard Crimping Tool, Mighty Crimping Tool



1. Cut three 20" lengths of Beadalon wire. To make it easier to see the pattern, I'll use three different colors of wire in the next few steps.

2. Hold all three wires together and pass them through the holes on the slider. Adjust the slider so it's centered on the wires.

Pick up both ends of one wire and pass them through a 6mm bead so it's positioned near the center of the slider.

3. String a bead onto one wire in the upper and lower sets.

4. Pass the beaded wire from the upper set and one of the middle wires through opposite ends of the same 6mm bead. Don't worry about tightening this up right now, you can adjust the spacing later.

5. Repeat the same technique for the other set of wires. This completes one stitch. (Three horizontal beads, two vertical beads for a total of five beads.)

6. Continue the pattern, tightening each previous stitch as you bead the next one. It's okay to flip the bead work over now so you can see the front.

7. After you've made nine stitches, attach a Bead Stopper to hold the beads in place. End with two vertical beads in the last row as shown - we'll add another row of three horizontal beads later.

8. Now you're ready to embellish the top of the bead work. Pass an outside wire through a pewter bead, then place the wire end through the upward through the first vertical bead to create a diagonal line across the center of the first stitch.

9. Add another pewter bead and place the wire end upward through the next vertical bead. Continue until you have embellished all of the stitches on the upper row.

10. Add a pewter bead to lower outside strand and pass the wire diagonally across the first stitch. Pass the wire downward through the first vertical bead. Continue adding a pewter bead to the center of each open stitch on the lower row of the bracelet.

11. Once you've embellished all of the stitches with pewter beads, remove the Bead Stopper and pass the center wires through a 6mm bead. Adjust all of the stitches so the beads are as consistent as possible.

12. Place the center wires through a crimp bead, through the center loop on the clasp, and back through the crimp bead. Adjust the crimp bead so there is enough room to add a crimp cover in the next step. Crimp it and cut off any extra wire.

13. Use crimp beads to attach the upper and lower wire sets to the corresponding loops on the clasp. Cut off any extra wire and attach a crimp cover to each crimp bead.

14. Repeat all of the steps to complete the other side of the bracelet, ensuring the clasp is facing the right direction.