

Flemish Spiral Necklace

Step 1: Cut a segment of wire 2 1/2 inches long. For your first effort use 20 gauge wire. As you become experienced you can increase your wire size to 18 or 16 gauge.

Step 2: Make a loop in one end of this wire using your round nose pliers or step jaw pliers.

Step 3: Straighten this wire using your nylon jaw pliers.

Step 4: Position two metal pegs and two 3/16" Super Pegs in your jig as shown below-right. Place your initial loop on peg 1 and wrap the wire around pegs 2, 3 and 4 as shown below.

Step 5: Remove the wire from the jig and using your round nose pliers or step jaw pliers, complete the final loop in your wire component.

Step 6: Cut the excess wire leaving this final loop open so that we can slide chain onto this wire component via this open loop.

Step 7: Make a total of 5 of these components in either the size of this first one, or in the smaller size shown by peg positions 1-4S.

Step 8: Cut 12 one inch segments of commercial chain.

Step 9: Slide the end link of two segments of chain onto each of your five wire components. Position the chain so that the two chain segments are opposite one another on the wire.

Step 10: Now we need to wrap fine gauge wire around the center of this wire component. First, cut 5 segments of 22 or 24 gauge wire about 2 1/2 inches long. Make a "U" shaped bend about 1/2 inch from the end of this wire. Open the initial loop in your wire component using your chain nose pliers.

Step 11: Slide the "U" shaped bend into position at the center of your wire component and wrap the fine gauge wire around about 3 times. Hold the wire with your chain nose pliers and squeeze the wire flat after each wrap. Cut the excess wire and tuck in the cut end.

Step 12: Now connect each of these five segments of wire using a wrapped bead link. Use 22 or 24 gauge wire to make the wrapped bead link. Use another pair of wrapped bead links to connect that last two segments of wire to either end of your chain.

Step 13: Now we are ready to attach our clasp. Use two more wrapped bead links to attach your clasp. Select the size of your beads for these links according to the length of necklace that you want. (In the necklace at top-right, the last two wrapped bead links used 2mm beads.)

