



The Link Chain

The linking design allows the bead to become a stunning stand alone chain.



Link Chain Tutorial
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Create Your Own

Link Chain Bracelet



Length with clasp: 21 ,5 cm/8,46"

Technique: freeform

Material

24 Link Beads, white

24 Link Beads, red

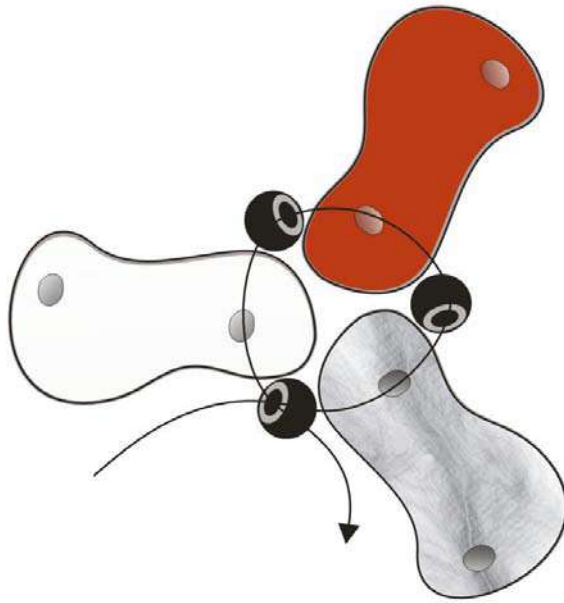
24 Link Beads, blacks

3g Seed Beads, 11 /0 black

1 Lobster Clasp with loop 2 Endcaps 1 cm

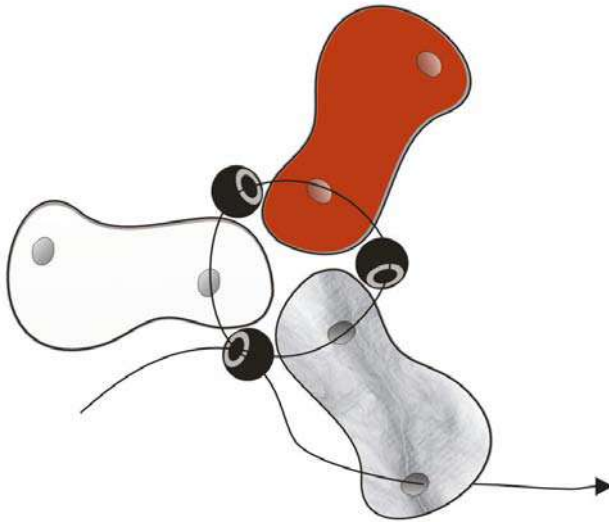
2 Eye Pins

Beading thread, black Needle #12



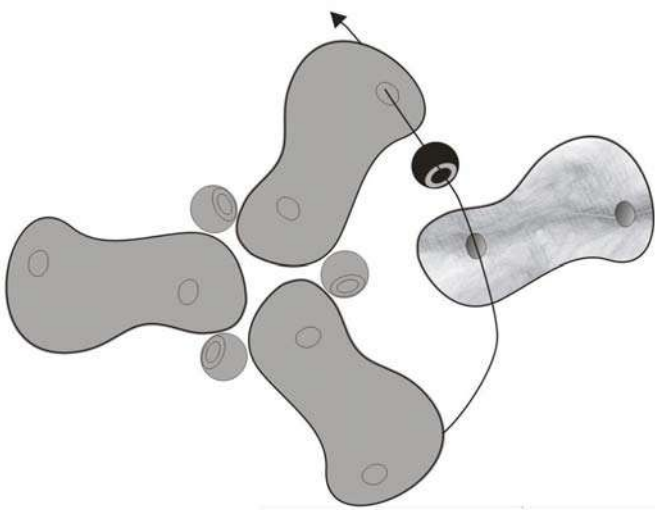
1.

Cut an arm's length of thread and thread into needle. In this step pass through holes of Link beads at the thinner ends.
 Pick up 1 seed bead,
 1 Link bead black,
 1 seed bead,
 1 Link bead red,
 1 seed bead and 1 Link bead white.
 Pass through the 1st seed bead to form a circle.



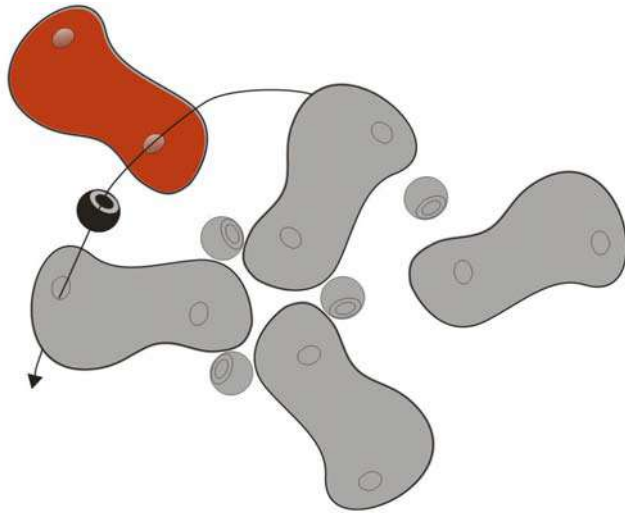
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Pass forward through the outer hole of the next (black) Link bead.



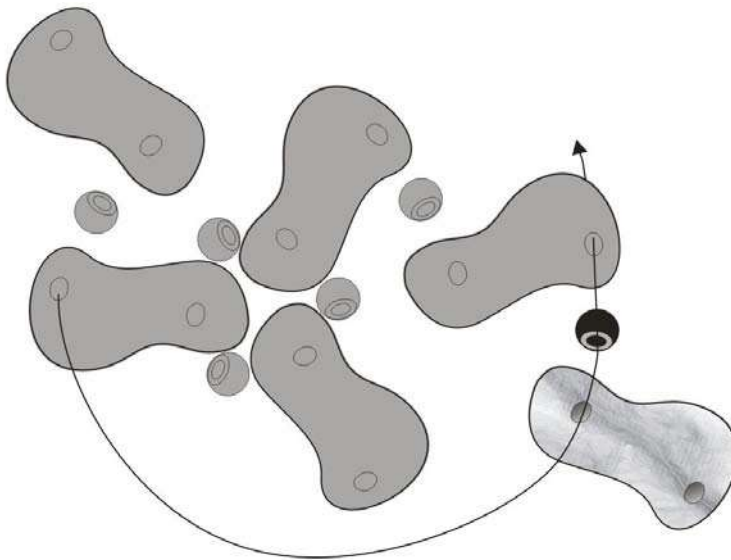
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Pick up 1 Link bead same color as the one you passed (through hole on thinner end) and 1 seed bead.
 Pass through the outer hole of the next Link bead.



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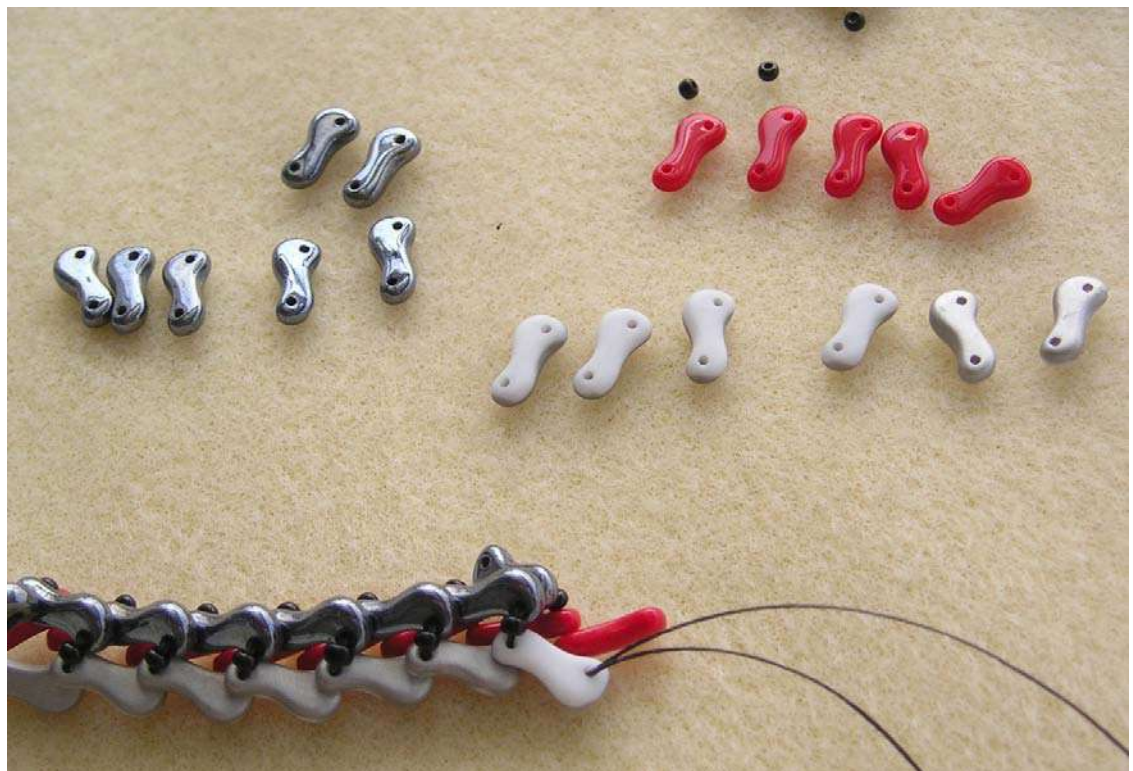
Pick up 1 Link bead through hole on thinner end - same color of the one you just passed through (red), 1 seed bead and pass through the outer hole of the next Link bead (white).



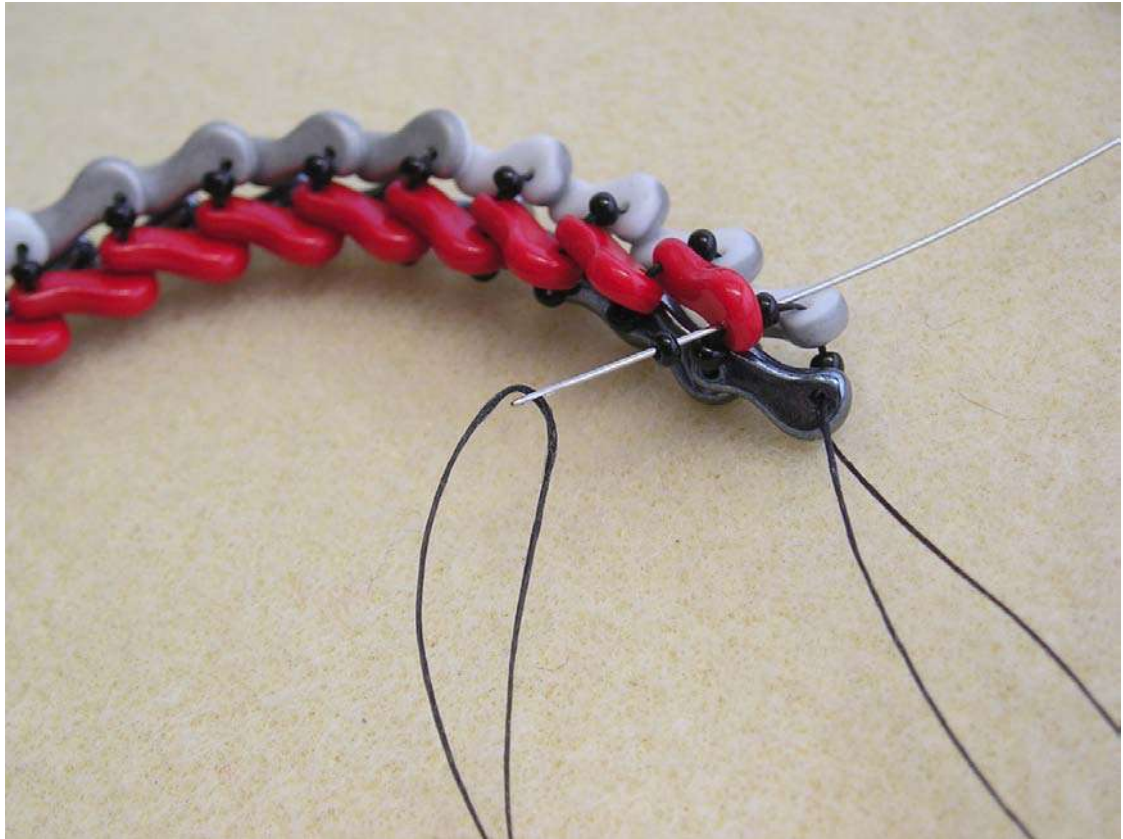
5.

Pick up 1 Link bead through hole on thinner end - same color you just passed through (white), 1 seed bead and pass through the outer hole of the first Link bead of step 3 (black).

This omits the step up and you proceed further on in a spiral. Remember when you pick up Link beads, pass through the hole at the thinner end of this new bead. When just passing through a Link bead, you pass the hole at the broader end.



To make it easier, keep the Link beads ready on your mat in the right position with the hole at the broader end on top.



6.

Repeat instruction from step 3 while using the matching colors until you reach the desired length of the chain. At the end add 1 seed bead each in between all free holes of Link beads. Pull thread tight. Sew on an eye pin on each end of the bracelet. Add an end cap on each pin and twist pin end to a loop. Attach the clasp of your choice at each loop. Sew up threads and cut off.



Feel free to experiment with more or fewer Link beads and change seed beads as you like.