

## Crunch Bracelets by Diane



Attached are two pictures of this bracelet project using large chain, large beads and charms and one picture for inspirational ideas. The chain is "gathered" on to the stretch cord which creates an interested effect. The second picture shows the bracelet stretched out so you can see the chain. This bracelet had 9 inches of chain in two places which compressed to 1" sections and it looked like 11mm or larger chain. There are also 10-12 large (10 -12mm) beads and 2 larger metal beads and a hanging charm. The possibilities are endless! As part of the project I can show you how to

make wrapped wire loops using head pins which can be used to make any kind of dangling beads you wish. It's also a handy skill for earring-making.

#### Supplies Needed for Bracelet:

1. Large link chain - 9" of chain for each 1" of gathered effect. FireMountaingems.com has 11x6mm silver or gold finished steel chain and 12mm chain in black, gunmetal, gold or silver in 5-foot lengths for \$5-10 depending on how many items you are buying.
2. heavy duty stretch cord
3. Assorted large beads, spacers and charms- any material and finish. The sample has 10-12 mm beads and larger metal beads and charms.
4. 3" head pins. 21 -22 gauge. (Fire Mountain silver-plated brass 21 gauge - 100 for \$5).

#### Tools:

Wire cutters

Chain nose pliers

Round nose pliers

Please also bring any beads you can't use and we'll have a bead exchange! I'll send a reminder message out closer to the date and I hope to see you in March.

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