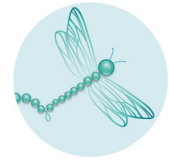# Riverside Beads

Beaded Bag Charm

Tutorial

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How to Create a Beaded Bag Charm Clasp

1. Take a head pin and add a selection of beads and spacers on. Cut the headpin so it is around 1cm above the top of your bead. Bend it at a 90' angle.

Using round nose pliers hold the end of the pin and roll towards the centre of the bead

2. Reposition the pliers back into the loop and continue to roll until the pin creates a circle and is closed. You can reposition the pliers to get the loop tight and closed.

Choose a selection of beads to use for the bag charm and create a loop in the same way. I like to work in odd numbers and create 3 or 5 beaded drops to use, they can be varied lengths and assorted size beads, this adds to the finished design.

3. Once all your loops are done you need to add the chain. Using 2 pairs of flat nose pliers, hold either side of the opening on the link of chain. push one forward and one backwards so it is open enough to attach onto the bottom of the bag charm loop. Hook it onto the bag charm and use both pliers to close the link.

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4. Decide how many links of chain you want to use on each of the links. Open the link of the chain and attached it through the loop on your bead, bringing it closed with 2 pairs of pliers.

5. You can vary the lengths of chain used to set the beads hanging at different lengths. This creates a nice cluster to your bag charm when the are all together on a bag.

Ensure all your links are closed well so the beads don't fall off.

6. Add a charm of choice to the bag charm to personalise it.. The bag charm clasp hooks onto your bag of choice.

Riverside Beads stock 3 sizes of bag charm clasps remember to get one big enough to hook onto the loop of your bag.

 We have used our Indian glass mixed beads which are perfect for making bag charms due to the variety in the packs. We have also used some silver spacers and some seed beads inbetween.

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