



VINTAJ Natural Brass Co.
Jewelry Findings

Technique

Creating a lentic pendant.

Step 1 String the beads & the bead cap.

String in order—one 3mm melon bead, one lampwork lentic 20mm glass bead, one 12mm filigree bead cap, two 4mm jump ring spacers, one 6mm flower spacer and one 3mm melon bead onto a 2" head pin.

Step 2 Press the bead cap into the shape of the bead.

Using your fingers, securely hold all the beads and the bead cap on the head pin. Press the bead cap into the shape of the lentic bead and work the bead cap with gentle repetitive motions. (*This is almost like molding clay.*) Push the beads and the bead cap tightly against each other.

Step 3 Make the loop end of the pendant.

- A: Holding the pendant assemblage securely with your fingers, use the rosary pliers to grip the straight end of the head pin. While still holding securely, pull the head pin toward you. Bend anywhere in between a 45° and 90° angle.
- B: Continue by turning the head pin away from you (*keeping the angle*) until you've completed approximately 1 1/2 revolutions of a coiled loop, achieving plenty of tension on the bead assemblage. Your pendant should now be secure.

Step 4 Attach the jump ring to the loop on the pendant.

- A: Open a 4.5mm jump ring using chain nose pliers.
- B: Slide the jump ring through the looped end of the lentic pendant and close.

Helpful Tips

To avoid loose beads and bead caps on the pendant, keep constant tension on the bead assemblage when making your coiled loop. Tighten the coil against the top bead, keeping the loop approximately 3mm in size.

Vintaj Materials List Pendant



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| HP2 | 2" Head Pin |
| BC40 | 12mm Filigree Bead Cap |
| BD200 | 6mm Flower Spacer |
| JR10 | 4mm Jump Ring/Spacer |
| BD70 | 3mm Melon Bead |

Vintaj Materials List Necklace



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| CL30 | Lobster Clasp |
| JR20 | 4.5mm Jump Ring |
| JR30 | 6mm Jump Ring |

Necessary Tools

- Ergonomic Rosary Pliers with side cutter
- Ergonomic Chain Nose Pliers (2 pairs)
- Ergonomic Side cutters

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