Linda Hartung makes a gorgeous disk pendant necklace using a briolette as a slider to hold ruched wirelace in place over beading wire.

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Guest:

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A contrasting mix of WireLace textures highlight a dramatic SWAROVSKI ELEMENTS disk Pendant with a crystal briolette accent.

SUPPLIES: (colors per sample at left)
SWAROVSKI ELEMENTS:
1 38mm Disk Pendant Art. 6039 (Tabac 001 TAB)
1 12mm Briolette Bead (large hole) Art. 5041 (Crystal Copper 001 COP)
Other Supplies
3 feet (36 inches) of 12mm WireLace (olive)
6 feet (72 inches) of 1mm WireLace (navy)
6 feet (72 inches) of 2.5mm WireLace (brass)
1 blunt metal yard needle (large hole)
2 Clamshell endcaps Alacarte Clasps (gunmetal)
1 toggle clasp black finish
8 inches of lightweight wire (.010 or similar)
Bead Stopper
GS Hypo-cement glue

TOOLS: Scissors, ruler, two chain nose pliers
OR one chain nose and one round nose pliers.
1) Thread 1mm and 2.5mm WireLace together through the needle so that both sides are even. Add a bead stopper on loose ends to hold them together. Insert needle inside 12mm WireLace tube and string through the full length of the 12mm to the other side.

2) Leave ends with beadstopper hanging out one side and the needle on the other. Leave needle on to keep ends together and make it easier to pull back through if it slips back into the tube.

3) Take 8 inches of lightweight wire (.010) and fold in half to form a needle over the center of the WireLace. Take ends of wire and insert through the briolette bead.

4) Fold WireLace over wire and pull through the briolette about 3 inches forming a big loop. Remove wire.

5) Make a larkshead knot by inserting the loop over the disk pendant (with the desired side of the pendant facing up) into the center hole, then under the other side.

6) Open the loop and slide back over the entire disk. Remove all slack in the loop to tighten the larkeshead knot to the base of the disk.

7) To create densely shaped ruffles condense the WireLace by pulling the briolette bead over the WireLace about 10 inches. Slide briolette bead back to disc pendant. Option: If you want the cord style (not scrunched) simply slide the briolette all the way to the needle/ beadstopper and then back to the pendant. Skip to last step for finishing. (See pictured silver necklace.)

8) Start from where you condensed the WireLace down and scrunch 12mm WireLace towards disk by sliding over the 1mm/2.5mm WireLace about 5 inches or to the desired effect. Repeat on other side so scrunch is even on both sides. Keep in mind the final desired length - the more you scrunch the shorter the overall length.

9) Make an overhand knot with all WireLace above the scrunched 12mm WireLace to hold scrunch in place. Repeat on other side keeping knots even on both sides.

10) Remove bead stopper and make an overhand with all WireLace at desired length. Repeat knot on other side (you can cut the needle off either before or after you knot). Saturate knot with GS hypo-cement glue plus 1/8" below knot. Trim ends to 1/16 inch from knot and insert into clamshell, squeeze closed. Clamshell sides should be closed, but do not overly squeeze clamshells to avoid cutting WireLace. Open ring on clamshell and attach desired clasp. -end-