BBJ2302-2 Katie's Beading Lesson Leather Box Braid Bracelets Designed by Katie Hacker



Camp crafts get a grown-up revamp with these box braid bracelets using leather belting lace and crystal charms.

Materials & Tools:

- two 2m packages of 5mm red brown belting lace from Leather Cord USA http://www.leathercordusa.com/product/0210-5MM.html
- 8mm Glu-N-Go end caps with clasp/chain from Leather Cord USA http://www.leathercordusa.com/product/C6048.html
- Loctite Quicktite Gel from Leather Cord USA http://www.leathercordusa.com/product/LOCT.html
- ss47 Swarovski crystal rivoli from Dreamtime Creations http://www.dreamtimecreations.com/search/?criteria=1122+SS+47+crystal
- riovoli Tierracast bezel charm with jump ring from Dreamtime Creations <u>http://www.dreamtimecreations.com/product/40939/tierracast-antique-pewter-drop-frame-</u>

## faceted-round-charm/

• rubber band, scissors

## Instructions

- 1. Find the center of both strands of belting lace, hold them as one, fold them and bind the fold together with a rubber band.
- 2. Fold one strand forward so the end is extending downward and fold another so it is extending upward. The two strands should be vertically parallel.
- 3. Weave one side strand over and under the the vertical strands.
- 4. Use the other side strand to weave over and under the vertical strands from the opposite direction.
- 5. Pull the strands gently to tighten the knot, then repeat the pattern folding one vertical strand downward and one upward. Weave the sides strands over/under again and tighten the knot.
- 6. Repeat the box braid until you reach the desired length of the bracelet, keeping in mind that the cord ends/clasp will add to the overall measurement.
- 7. Place glue inside an end cap and press the end of the braid into it. Remove the rubber band from the other end, trim the cords if necessary and glue the ends into an end cap.
- 8. Use GS Hypo Cement or 2-part epoxy to glue a Swarovski rivoli into the bezel charm. Once it's dry, use a jump ring to connect it to the chain at the end of the bracelet.

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