



Mixed Technique Pendant

Shown in Copper

Materials:

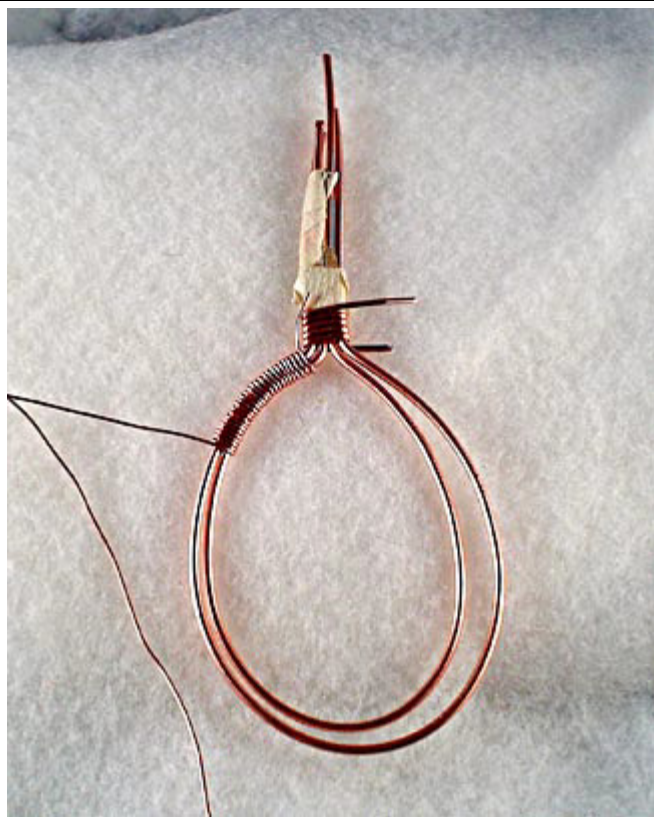
Wire of your choice

18 ga for the base

20 ga for threading beads on

24 ga for all weaving

3 pretty 12mm beads



Cut two 18 ga wires 10" in length. Make a bend in each about 2" from the ends as shown. Tape to hold and start forming the ovals.

Form the inner oval first and make another bend at the top. Do the same with the outer wire enlarging it so there is about 1/4" between the two wires at the widest point. Make another bend at the top so all four ends nest together as shown. I used a temporary wrap with half round to hold more securely.

Cut a piece of 24 ga wire about 2 foot in length and begin to wrap the two 18 ga wires together. Continue until the two wires start to separate. Here is where you will begin the basket weave.

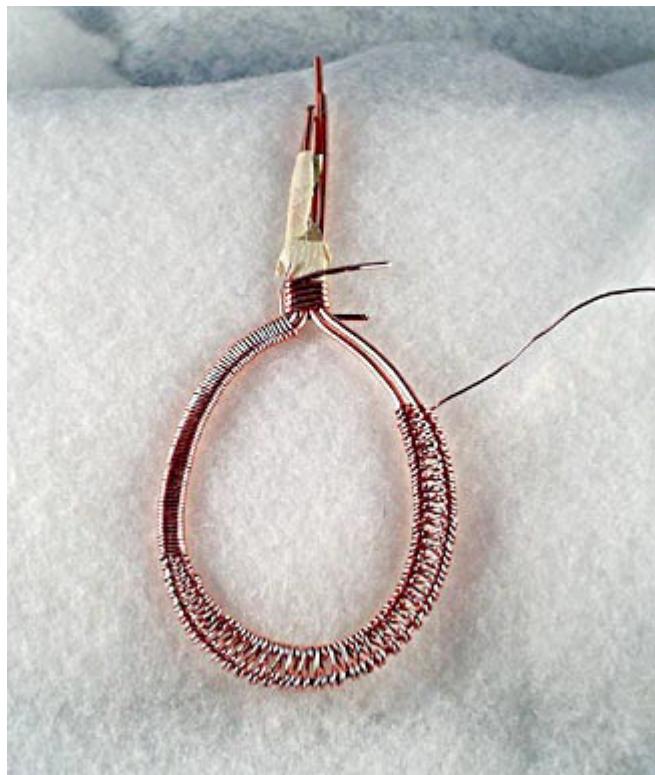
It's a little tricky to start this part, but just use your fingers to push the wire into position



Continue the basket weave until you reach the top right side where the wires are too close to continue as shown in the following photo



Detail of the basket weave



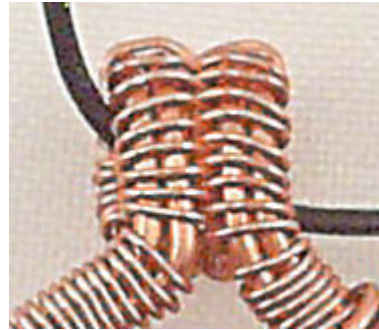
Now you will return to wrapping the two base wires together as you did in the beginning. Continue until you reach the top.

Now you can remove the tape and temporary half round wrap. Spread the two sides apart just enough to be able to weave the 24 ga wire between them.



The bail weave is a simple over and under wrap although you may opt for the basket style as you did in the body of the pendant.

Wrap at least 1 1/2" to have a nice large bail.



Bail finish detail



Form the bail and trim the ends. This is a strong bail and there is no need to bind all the wires together as usually done with traditional style wrapped pendants.

This is what your pendant should look like at this point

Now your ready to create your Herringbone style beads. The tutorial for this is by Eni Oken and can be found at www.enioken.com

NOTE: When making your wrapped beads, do not form loop and wrapped wire at the ends



After completing your wrapped beads, attach them to the pendant.

Bead 1: Wrap 20 ga tails twice around the frame and trim on the back side.



Herringbone detail



Attach the second bead by pushing the end wire through the weave at the base. Trim end and secure. Bring the other side over to the left and wrap the end around twice, trim and secure.



Now your ready for the third bead. Attach one end through the weave on the right same as you did with the second bead. Secure the left side by folding the 20 ga wire over the frame once, trim and secure.

You can add more embellishments as desired.

CREDITS:

Basket Weave from Free Wheeling Pendant tutorial by Linda Smith

Herringbone tutorial by Ena Oken