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Dale Nicholson shows how to cut strands apart and combine with crystals to make new jewelry.

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Guest:



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Crystal Teardrop Necklace

Designer: Dale Nicholson

Time required: 1 hour

Combine crystals into a three-tiered necklace that says luxury, style and quality. This necklace starts with just ONE strand from the Create Your Style with Swarovski Elements. The pendant and beads give you the basic design pattern and then a creative combination of elements sets the design apart from all the others.

What You Need:

Create your Style with Swarovski Elements™:

AB Teardrop Strand – one strand

4mm Bicone, Crystal AB, (4 pcs)

6mm Bicone, Crystal AB, (26 pcs)

Other supplies:

2mm Wire lace mesh ribbon, (14")

Large link silver chain, 1" long piece and a 2" long piece

Small link silver chain, two 8" pieces, and two 1" pieces

Ball Head pins, (12 pcs)

Eye pins, (30 pcs)

4mm Bead tips (2 pcs) *to finish ribbon ends*

4mm Jump rings (4 pcs)

6mm Jump rings (2 pcs)

8mm Jump ring (1 pc)

Lobster Claw

Tools: Chain nose pliers, Round nose pliers, Flush cutters

What To Do:

1. Go ahead and cut apart your crystal strand. Then, following the pattern of the strand and referencing the photo, lay out the desired design on your workspace first. This initial step helps allow for a smooth process with assembling the project.
2. Make your dangles for the center accent area using head pins and seven 6mm crystals and four 4mm crystals: string a crystal onto a head pin and trim to $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Bend your wire near the crystal and make a loop with your needle nose pliers. Repeat with the other crystals.
3. Use eye pins to make connectors with crystals. Make ten 6mm and 20 4mm connectors. Connect five of the 6mm's and 10 of the 4mm's together for each chain strand.
4. Tie the mesh wire in the middle to the top of your 1" piece of large link chain. String on nine 6mm crystals on each side and move to the desired place. Add your chain connectors to the top of chain on both sides.
5. Add the long chains to both sides of the next link with the 4mm jump rings.
6. Add on all of the dangles to this chain on all of the links.
7. Slip the 8mm jump ring through the teardrop and connect to the bottom of the chain.
8. Slip the mesh wire through the bead tip and tie a knot. Close the bead tip to hide the knot.
9. Open a 6mm jump ring and add onto it the chains, bead tip and a piece of 1" chain.
10. Repeat steps 8 and 9 for other side.
11. Add the 2" piece of large chain to one end with a 4mm jump ring.
12. Add the lobster claw to the other end with a 4mm jump ring.

