

PROJECT

The glowing hues of the gold rings and charms and pink metallic sequins warm the otherwise cold sterling and Thai silver.



Metal Mélange

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MATERIALS

- 5 rose 9×15mm leaf sequins
- 3 Thai silver 8×17mm pointed-oval charms
- 1 gold-filled 13×32mm leaf charm with soldered 7mm jump ring
- 1 vermeil 11mm hammered ring
- 1 vermeil 16mm hammered ring
- 1 vermeil 21mm hammered ring
- 1 vermeil 24mm hammered ring
- 1 vermeil 30mm hammered ring with off-center opening
- 1 Thai silver 33mm hammered ring
- 1 sterling silver 10×18mm hook clasp
- 9 sterling silver 4mm jump rings
- 5 sterling silver 5mm jump rings
- 3 sterling silver 6mm jump rings
- 8¼" of sterling silver 5–10mm (small) graduated round chain
- 11" of sterling silver 10–20mm (large) graduated round chain

TOOLS

- 2 pairs of chain-nose pliers
- Wire cutters

TECHNIQUE: Wireworking

FINISHED SIZE: 19½"

1: Use one 4mm jump ring to attach the hook to one end of one 4½" piece of large chain; use one 6mm jump ring to attach the other end of the chain to the 24mm ring.

2: Use one 6mm jump ring to attach one end of one 6¼" piece of large chain to the 24mm ring; use one 5mm jump ring to attach the other end of the chain to the 16mm ring.

3: Use one 5mm jump ring to attach one end of one 4½" piece of small chain to the 16mm ring; use one 5mm jump ring to attach the other end of the chain to the 21mm ring.

4: Use one 5mm jump ring to attach one end of one 3½" piece of small chain to the 21mm ring.

5: Use 4mm jump rings to attach sequins to the following links of the 3½" chain (the free end link is considered the first link): 1st, 4th, 6th, 8th, and 10th. Repeat to attach pointed-oval charms to the following links: 4th, 5th, and 7th. Use one 5mm jump ring to attach the 11mm ring to the 5th link. Use one 6mm jump ring to join the Thai silver 33mm and vermeil 30mm rings and attach them to the 9th link. Cut the soldered jump ring on the leaf charm using wire cutters and attach it to the 4th link. To wear, attach the hook to the 9th link. ♦



ZOOM:
Jump rings are used to attach charms to the chain.

RESOURCES: Check your local bead shop or see page 86 for more information. Chain, hook clasp, and all vermeil: Nina Designs. Thai silver: Shiana. Sequins: Gail Crosman Moore. Jump rings: FusionBeads.com.