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Gems make everything better! Dress up your friendship bracelet designs with some oldschool glamor using antique jewels. The combination of casual cord and sparkling gems gives these friendship bracelets effortless elegance. You'll be the most fabulous friends on the scene with these bejeweled beauties adorning your wrists.

## MATERIALS

- natural braiding cord
- two small jump rings for each bracelet (mine were about 4 mm )
- antique jewels with two loops


## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Attach a small jump ring to each of the loops on the jewel.

2. Cut four pieces of cord: two 40 -inch pieces (the outer working cord) and two 15 -inch pieces (the base cord).
3. Thread one 40 -inch cord and one 15 -inch cord through one jump ring. Keeping the longer working cord on the outside, pull the 15 -inch base cord taut in the center and tape it down.

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4. Now braid a square knot. Cross the left strand over the base strands. Then cross the right strand over top of the left strand. Pass the right strand under the center strands and up through the loop. Pull the cord tight, keeping the base strands straight.


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5. Tie the same knot, starting on the right side. Cross the right strand over the base strands. Then cross the left strand over top of the right strand. Pass the left strand under the center strands and up through the loop. Pull tight.
6. Keep alternating the knots until the bracelet reaches halfway around your wrist. Repeat on the other side of the bracelet.

7. To make the closure, knot all four strands on one side of the bracelet and cut the ends. On the other side, make a small loop with the middle base cords and knot. Knot the outer cords and snip the ends. Dab a bit of glue on the ends if you want.

## SENSATIONAL SILK AND CHAIN FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS

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You might have a hard time giving away these super chic friendship bracelets to your pals... Luckily, they're super quick and easy to make, so you can whip up enough for both you and your BFF in a matter of minutes. Silk ribbon and chain are the main ingredients for this friendship bracelet design. Then all it takes is simple braiding to get this trendy look.

## MATERIALS

- silk cord, 2 feet of each of the three colors
- 2 inches of chain (I used 10 mm )
- clasp and jump rings (I used 10 mm rings)
- scissors
- jewelry pliers


## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cut the cords into three pieces (two of each color) 12 inches long each.
2. Loop three of the cords through the last link of chain and, keeping each color together, braid the cords about 2 inches. Tie cord into a knot. Repeat with remaining cord on other end of the chain.


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3. Add jump rings and clasp to the knots with the pliers. Trim the cord if needed.


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