

Gold Cocktail Ring Wire Jewelry Making Pattern #111

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Supplies Needed

- * 8 inches of 14kt. gold-filled 21 gauge round or square half hard wire or brass wire
- * One 8 mm corrugated gold-filled bead with a hole large enough to accommodate the 21 gauge wire or brass practice wire.
- * 15 inches of 21 gauge 14kt. gold-filled half round half hard wire

Tools Needed

- * Flat nose pliers
- * Chain nose pliers
- * Pin vise
- * Wire cutter or flush cutter
- * Steel ring mandrel
- * Sharpie metal marking pen
- * Steel ruler

Step 1



Cut one 8 inch length of 21 gauge gold-filled round or square half hard wire.

Take your marking pen and mark the middle of the wire.

String a gold-filled 8mm bead on the wire and bring the bead to the middle of the wire.

Step 2



Place the wire on a ring mandrel with the bead directly over one size smaller than the ring size you are making. If you are making a size 7 ring, then place the bead right on size 6.

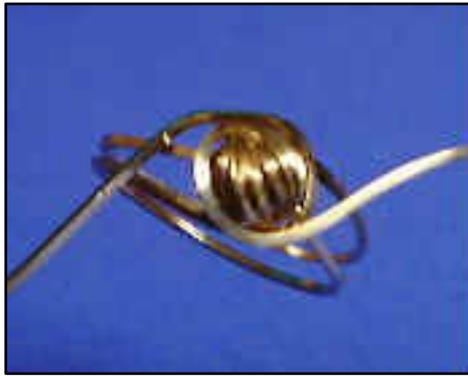
Then bend both ends of the wire downward

Step 3



Next bend each wire up and around the mandrel on opposite sides of the bead. Pull each wire gently to tighten the ring shank

Step 4



Bend each wire in a clockwise direction half way around the bead. At this point you can remove the ring from the mandrel.

If needed, you can shape the ring with your hands and press the two wires of the ring shank together using your chain nose pliers.

Step 5



Clip each of the extending wires about 2 inches from the ring.

With a pin vise, twist each of these wires. Note: If you are using round wire, you cannot twist round wire.

Step 6



Wrap one of the twisted wires around the ring shank starting next to the bead and wrapping outwards. Make two or three complete wraps around the shank and clip off the excess wire on the inside of the ring shank. Using your chain nose pliers press the cut edge of the wire down against the shank. File smooth if necessary.

Repeat the same procedure on the other side of the bead.

Step 7



Mark the center of the 15 inch length of 21 gauge gold-filled half round wire. Using your flat nose pliers make a 180 degree bend on the center of the wire.

Place the hook of the bend on the ring shank and began wrapping each wire in the opposite direction towards the bead until you reach the wrap wires.

Step 8



Snip off excess wire and secure the end to the shank. Remember to clip off the wires on the inside of the ring shank.

The finished cocktail ring!

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