

"Pink Portal" Necklace

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Suggested Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Name</u>
40"	#61-790-37	1.5mm fine "suede" lace, fuchsia
4	#41-151-90-15-7	Crimp ends with ring, antiqued copper plate
1	#39-411-7	double-ball magnetic clasp, antiqued copper plate
1	#49-953-01-M	Letter "M" charm with loop, red bronze
2	#37-133-7	4.5mm round jump rings, antiqued copper plate
2	#37-136-7	5mm round jump rings, antiqued copper plate
5½"	#40-099-16-7	2.1mm drawn flattened cable chain, antiqued copper plate
8	#26-114-7	5x5mm large-hole barrel-shaped beads, antiqued copper plate
6	#25-080-982	8x2mm large-hole ceramic heishi beads, bright assortment (use 8 fuchsia/pink colored)
15	#23-264-172	Czech glass size 5 "E" beads, rose
1"	#47-401-SP	16-gauge round wire, solid copper
1		Copyright-free image (cut to size)
1	82-500-08	8oz kit EasyCast epoxy

Create a personal keepsake by filling your "focal" with sentimental items.

Tools and supplies:

¾" diameter copper pipe (from hardware store)
pipe cutter (from hardware store)
resin mixing set (#82-599)
Mod Podge® (to seal image)
rubber cement
work surface covered with a plastic bag
1.25mm hole punch (#69-234)
chasing hammer (#69-134)
steel block (#69-125)
chain-nose pliers (#69-275-03)
narrow flat-nose pliers (#69-275-30)
Wubbers™ small bail-making pliers (#69-275-22)
flush cutters (#69-056)

TIPS:

- Create your own copper pendant or substitute a ready-made pendant of your choice.
 - ◆ Cut the copper pipe about 3/8" thick and drill or punch a hole in the top.
 - ◆ Hammer and shape the 16-gauge copper wire into a bail and insert into hole (this can be temporarily glued in place).
 - ◆ Place copper pipe on a plastic bag, create a temporary seal around the pipe bezel with rubber cement and let it dry overnight. Use plenty of rubber cement.
 - ◆ Add a layer of glass "E" beads and fill the bezel half way with resin; allow air bubbles to rise.
 - ◆ Place the sealed image in the bezel and fill with resin; again allow the bubbles to rise.
 - ◆ Let the resin cure for 24 hours. Once cured, remove rubber cement seal.
- The copper pipe is a heavy-duty hole-punching task — keep extra replacement parts (#69-234-R) on hand.
- Personally tag your work with sweet little bronze and sterling alphabet charms.
- Vary the length of the cord to vary the length of the necklace.

See the following technique sheets:

- [Basic Jewelry Making Techniques](#)
- [Tips for Working with Epoxy Resin](#)
- [Techniques for Creating Bezels without Solder](#)