

Sami Style Bracelet Design by Christiane Ross

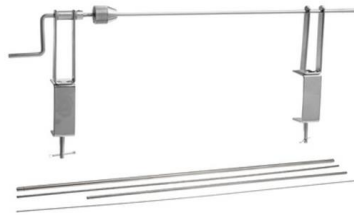
Supplies:

- 20 or 22g Wire (I'm using 22g Silver Plated Craft Wire)
- 26 or 28g Wire (I'm using 28g Silver Plated Craft Wire)
- 1.5-2mm Round Leather Cord
- Leather Strap Base (I'm using a 1.5" base with snaps already attached)
- Clear Liquid Bead Glue such as GS Hypo Cement or Zap
- Tape



Tools:

- Professional Coiling Gizmo with Spinner Attachment (spinner not pictured here)
- Round & Chain Nose Pliers



- Flush Cutters
- Leather Hole Punch

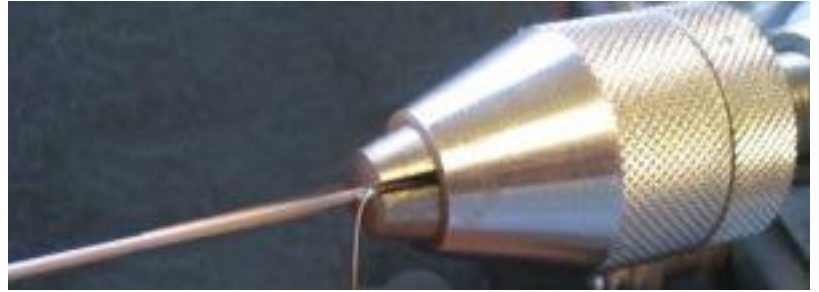
*This bracelet design is loosely based on the native cultural designs of the Sami nomadic tribes in the north of Scandinavia. For several centuries the Sami people has made jewelry of reindeer



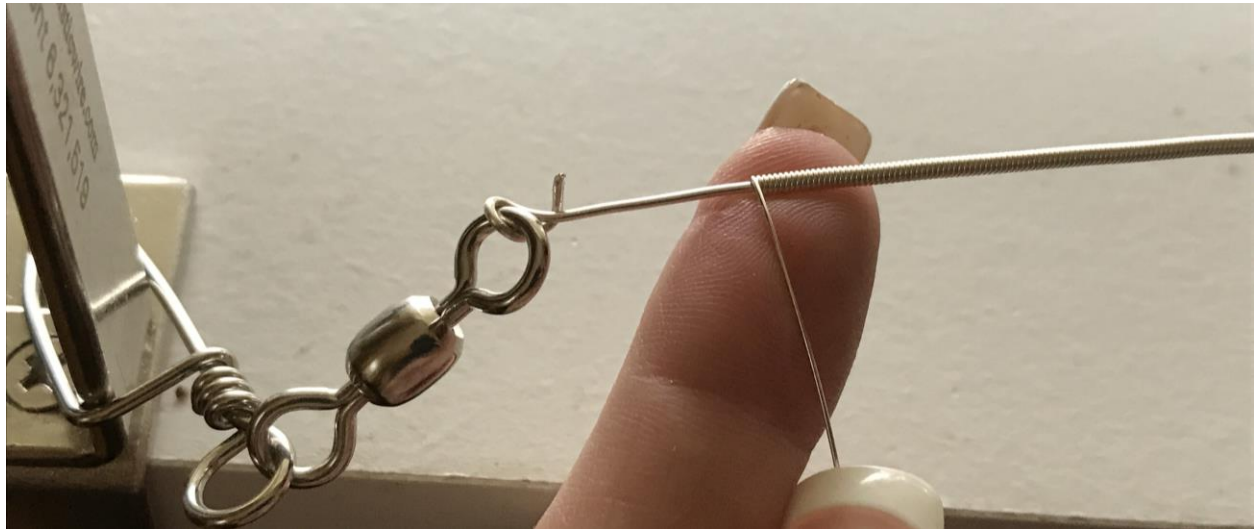
1. The first step is creating your wire coils. Cut at least 12" of your base wire (I used 22g). Wrap one end around the gizmo spinner and slide the spinner over the anchor end of your gizmo tool set. Clamp the other end of the wire into the coiling gizmo chuck. You will be coiling around this base wire instead of any of the gizmo rods.



2. I work off of the spool for the coiling wire instead of cutting any length. Take off the color holding the wire. Make a bend in the loose end of the wire and tuck it into the gap of the chuck



to hold it. Spin the handle to coil the wire around the length of the base wire. Repeat for the number of wires you want to use. For this project, I used 14.



3. The center of my bracelet is a braid. To make this, take 6 coiled wires and 3 pieces of the round leather cord. Tape them to your table to make it easier to braid. The order is:
Coil, leather, coil-
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4. Braid your segments together. Pull your segments out to the sides as you braid to get a rounder braid.



5. This piece can be the only decoration on a thinner bracelet of the center piece of a thicker one.

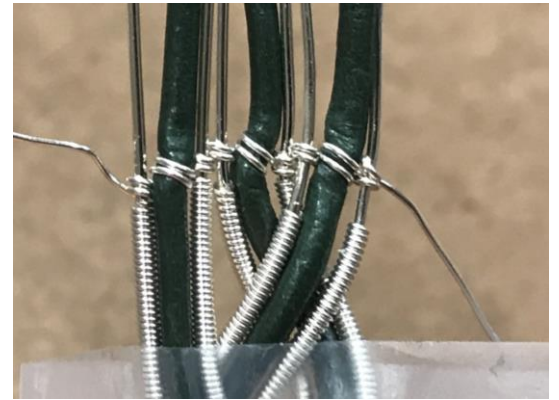
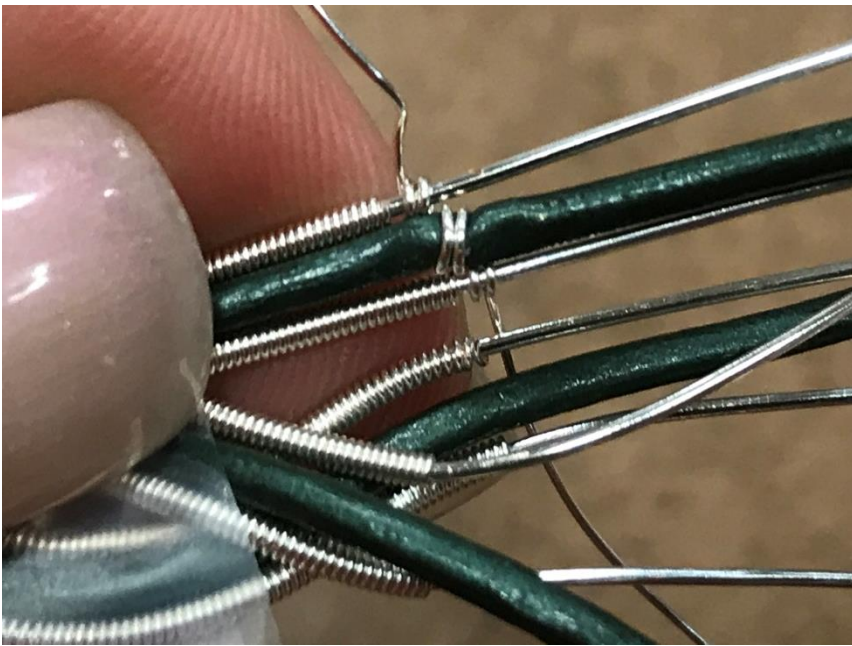


6. To finish your ends, tape the braid to keep it together. Carefully cut the extra coil off the ends of the wires to make the coils end evenly. Don't cut the base wires.

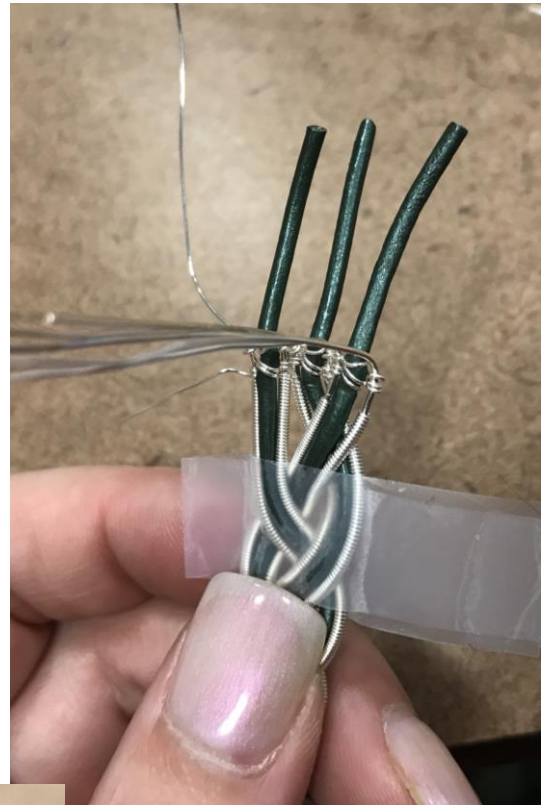


7. Wrap wire around the base wires and the leather to stabilize them keeping them together.





8. Bend the ends of the base wires up & out of the way & trim the leather ends. Put a drop of glue on the leather ends to keep them from sliding out of the wire. Let the glue dry before continuing.
9. Hold your braid against your cuff where you want it to sit. Mark the spot on the cuff where the outer wires on each side of the braid sit.



10. Using your leather hole punch, create a hole for each wire.

11. Bend the outside wires down and thread them through the holes.

12. Wrap one wire around the base of the second on the underside of the bracelet. Make sure to tuck the end of the wire in under the coil so it will not be scratchy against the skin.



13. Bend the second wire over and under the first to create a coil around the first.



14. Coil the remaining wires on the top of the braid to cover the ends of the leather.



15.Repeat on the other side of the bracelet making sure to measure around while the bracelet is snapped shut to get the correct length.



Additional Wire Decorations can be created by twisting two coils together. Place both coils in the Gizmo Chuck and hold the ends with your pliers while you turn.



Punch additional holes in your leather and attach them the same way.



Enjoy!