## Glue-it-Yourself Designer Clasps

# **Magnetic Attractions**

Graceful design combines with effortless connection in three magnetic clasp styles. Join a single strand of pearls or multi-strands of seedbeads directly into the clasp for a fluid elegant transition.

Achieve the look of fine pavé set jewelry with 90 tiny crystals you glue-in to the Crystal Barrel clasp. Mix colors or design a pattern to create your own unique treasure.

Select from our assortment of Swarovski® crystal. Buy only what you need or keep several crystal colors and clasps on hand so you can design when you're inspired.

Each magnetic clasp offers a distinctive style in several nickel-free plated finishes.

WARNING: Persons wearing a pacemaker or pregnant should consult their physician before wearing magnetic jewelry. Magnets may contain nickel.

Ideas to inspire...









### Scallop Barrel

Size: 15x12mm Nickel-free plated finishes:

- gold
- rhodium



loose magnet. dimple-side glues down

**Etched Barrel** 

Small: 13x13mm

Large: 15x15mm

Nickel-free plated

Two sizes:

finishes:

• gold

rhodium





### Crystal Barrel

Size: 16x15mm Nickel-free plated finishes: • aold • rhodium Crystals needed (foil, pointback): QTY. SIZE SHAPE SWAROVSKI® STYLE # 60 pp10 round 1028 30 pp15 round 1028 Skill Level: Moderate to Hard Time approx: 1 hour

magnet glued into clasp, smooth sides of magnets connect together

#### **Tools needed:**

- · emery board or jewelers file
- chainnose or pointed pliers

• Crystal Barrel: jewelers tweezers (see helpful hints)

#### How to glue crystals:

• Mix glue per instructions. Apply small drop of glue in recessed areas. Only do as many as you can set before glue gets tacky.

• Turn when crystals are set and repeat.

#### **Helpful hints:**

**1.** Use museum putty to hold clasp in place. 2. Instead of tweezers, use a toothpick with a tiny bit of museum putty or natural bee's wax rolled on the tip. It will stick to the crystal so you can position it and releases easily. 3. If you get glue on the crystals or clasp,

dampen (squeeze out all excess) a Q-tip in isopropyl alcohol to remove glue residue. This only works if the glue has not set.

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2. Let glue dry to ensure bead is fixed in the clasp.

**4. IMPORTANT: BEFORE gluing in magnets** TEST to make sure magnets will sit properly into clasp and if needed, trim crimp/string. Dimple side of magnet glues facing down. Smooth sides of magnets connect together.

with emery board or jewelers file.

6. Apply a liberal amount of glue on bottom, sides and knot/crimp area.

7. Drop in magnet and press firmly in place. Check to make sure magnet is correct depth and not tilted. Continue to apply pressure until glue

9. Do not connect magnets before fully dry as it could loosen the bond when you separate them.

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create a classic combination with 12mm pearls



multiple-strands of seedbeads meet a stylish end



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How to finish & glue magnets Skip gluing steps 1 & 2 if using seedbead strands 1. Apply 2-part epoxy to cupped side recessed

• 2-part all purpose 5-minute epoxy, clear drying area. Pull wire/string through hole. Tighten and

crimp at the base of the hole. Use a chainnose pliers or similar to crimp close to magnet.

3. Clip excess string from crimp

5. Lightly rough up sides and bottom of magnet

has set 8. Wipe off excess glue (see helpful hints #3).

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• old copper pewter