

Jewelled Necklace Project



THIS OPULENT JEWELLED NECKLACE, DESIGNED BY ELLEN KHARADE, IS REMINISCENT OF BYGONE ERAS OF DECADENCE.

The necklace is made from moulded resin shapes, in royal shades, that glisten when they catch the light.

Instructions are also given for making a matching bracelet but, whilst doing so, you could mould a few extra jewels and use these to make matching earrings as well.

YOU WILL NEED:

MATERIALS

- CHEMSET ES 8103 Clear Base Resin
- CHEMSET ES 8204 Hardener
- CHEMSET ES 8555 Transparent Red Resin
- CHEMSET ES 8558 Transparent Blue Resin

FOR THE NECKLACE

- Mini eye hook screws
- 6mm jump rings
- Toggle clasp

FOR THE BRACELET

- Mini eye hook screws
- 18cm loose chain
- 6mm jump rings
- Toggle clasp

TOOLS

- Newspaper
- Barrier cream
- Digital scales, 0.1-500g
- Small mixing cups
- Small mixing sticks
- Silicone Jewel Moulds
- Chinograph Pencil
- Dremel cordless hobby drill
- Dremel 0.8mm drill bit
- Flat-nosed pliers
- Chain-nosed pliers

HERES HOW:

NECKLACE

1. Cover the work area with newspaper and apply barrier cream to your hands.
2. Weigh 18g of clear resin and 2g of red resin into a mixing cup and stir together gently with a mixing stick. Weigh 10g of hardener into the cup and stir again, taking care not to introduce air bubbles into the mix. Pour the resin mixture into 1 large and 8 smaller spaces in the silicone jewel mould.

3. Weigh 18g of clear resin and 2g of blue resin into a mixing cup and stir together gently with a mixing stick. Weigh 10g of hardener into the cup and stir again, taking care not to introduce air bubbles into the mix. Pour the resin into 7 of the smaller spaces in the silicone jewel mould.
4. Weigh 10g of clear resin and 5g of hardener into a mixing cup and stir together gently with a mixing stick, taking care not to introduce air bubbles into the mix. Pour the resin into four of the smaller spaces in the silicone jewel mould.
5. Leave the mould in a warm, dust-free, place overnight for the resin to cure.
6. Use a Chinograph pencil to clearly mark where you want to place the eye hooks on each jewel. Drill a small entry hole where each mark is and screw in an eye hook. If the hole feels tight, drill in a bit further and try the hook again.
7. Place the jewels in the order in which they will be connected and use jump rings to connect each of the jewels to its intended neighbour, working along the length of the necklace until it is complete. Attach drop jewels to the five centre jewels.
8. Attach jump rings on either end of the necklace, adding a toggle clasp to one side.

BRACELET

1. Weigh 9g of clear resin and 1g of red resin into a mixing cup and stir together gently with a mixing stick. Weigh 5g of hardener into the cup and stir again, taking care not to introduce air bubbles into the mix. Pour the resin mixture into 4 of the smaller spaces in the silicone jewel mould.
2. Weigh 18g of clear resin and 2g of blue resin into a mixing cup and stir together with a mixing stick. Weigh 10g of hardener into the cup and stir again, taking care not to introduce air bubbles into the mix. Pour the resin mixture into 1 large and 4 smaller spaces in the silicone jewel mould.
3. Weigh 16g of clear resin and 8g of hardener into a mixing cup and stir together gently with a mixing stick, taking care not to introduce air bubbles into the mix. Pour the resin into 6 of the smaller spaces in the silicone jewel mould.
4. Leave the mould in a warm, dust-free, place overnight for the resin to cure.
5. Use a Chinograph pencil to clearly mark where you want to place the eye hooks on each jewel. Drill a small entry hole where each mark is and screw in an eye hook. If the hole feels tight, drill in a bit further and try the hook again.
6. Secure the jewels to the chain using jump rings, spacing them evenly along the length. Attach jump rings to either end of the chain, adding a toggle clasp to one side.