Coiled Link Bracelet

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Tools:

- **chain nose pliers** - look like needle nose pliers, but the inside of the jaws is smooth, as opposed to serrated.
- **flush cutting wire snips** - fine wire snips designed for getting into small places and making precision cuts
- **round nose pliers** - (optional) pliers with smooth, round tapered jaws, for bending wire and creating loops (please do not get the kind with the silicone coated tips)
- Ruler
- Fine Tip Sharpie Marker

**Metals Kit:** A kit containing all the wire needed for the project will be available for purchase at www.shop2dots.com beginning October 5 for $25 plus USPS priority shipping (approx. $32 total).

- 9 feet 20g Sterling Silver Wire – the kit will contain enough wire to make a bracelet length chain
- 3 feet 20g copper wire – practice wire

You should expect to make 1 bracelet with these materials.

**Beads:**

- Optional – you could bring a larger “focal bead” if you have one on hand. I will also show how the same materials can be used to create a necklace design, which you may prefer to the bracelet.

**Resources:**

Local bead shops in the greater DC area are easy to find via Google. I would highly recommend “shopping local” so that you can see what you are purchasing and get design help from store staff. Or, I recommend the following online resources:

- Rio Grande: - Rio is my go-to for tools and findings. www.riogrande.com
• Another great online supplier is ThunderMoon Supplies - based in Wilmington, DE and found on Etsy. I purchase my jeweler’s brass wire from them. They also have sterling silver & copper wire, and hand tools. [https://www.etsy.com/shop/ThunderMoonSupplies](https://www.etsy.com/shop/ThunderMoonSupplies)
• [www.firemountaingems.com](http://www.firemountaingems.com) is another option. They are more like a “big box” store for beads.
• [https://www.beadshop.com/](https://www.beadshop.com/) Order early as this lovely shop is in California. Their site is easy to navigate and their inventory is lovely.

If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to email me. I’ll also be posting ideas to a Pinterest board called Coiled Link - Smithsonian Associates. Search for [2 dots over the i](https://www.pinterest.com/search/pins/?q=2%20dots%20over%20the%20i) on Pinterest, to find me.

I’m looking forward to seeing you in class! Mia