

Double Persian Star Chain Bracelet: A Comprehensive Chain Maille Jewelry Making Tutorial (T113b)

Welcome to the captivating world of chain maille, an ancient jewelry-making technique that combines artistry with precision. In this comprehensive tutorial, we will embark on a journey to create an exquisite Double Persian Star Chain Bracelet (T113b) – a mesmerizing piece that exudes both elegance and complexity.

Chain maille, derived from the French words "chain" and "maille" (meaning "link"), involves intricately connecting individual metal rings to form captivating designs. With a rich history spanning centuries, this technique has been used to craft everything from protective armor to intricate jewelry.

Before embarking on our creative endeavor, let's gather the necessary materials:



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1. **18 Gauge Round Wire:** This will serve as the base material for creating the rings. Choose a wire that is pliable yet strong enough to withstand wear and tear.
 2. **3/16 Inch Inner Diameter (ID) Jump Rings:** These will be used to connect the individual rings and form the chain. Ensure they are of good quality and uniform in size.
 3. **Clasp:** Select a clasp that complements the style of the bracelet, such as a lobster clasp or toggle clasp.
 4. **Jewelry Pliers:** You will need three types of pliers: chain nose pliers, round nose pliers, and flat nose pliers. These specialized tools will help you manipulate the wire and rings with precision.
 5. **Mandrel:** This tapered rod will assist in shaping the rings to the desired size and shape.
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1. **Cut the Wire:** Determine the desired length of the bracelet and cut the wire accordingly. Allow for extra length to accommodate the clasp and closure.
 2. **Form the Rings:** Using round nose pliers, grasp the wire and bend it into a loop. Bring the ends together and continue bending until a complete circle is formed. Slide the ring onto the mandrel and use chain nose pliers to close the ring securely.
 3. **Create Six Rings:** Repeat the process to create a total of six basic Persian star units, each consisting of three interconnected rings.

1. **Connect Three Units:** Take three basic Persian star units and connect them together using jump rings. Pass a jump ring through the outer ring of each unit and close it securely.
 2. **Form a Pyramid:** Bring the three connected units together to form a pyramid shape. Pass a jump ring through the top rings of each unit and close it.
 3. **Create the Double Star:** Repeat the process to create a second pyramid-shaped unit. Align the two pyramids and connect their bases with jump rings, forming a double Persian star unit.
1. **Create Simple Rings:** Use the same technique as in Step 1 to create simple rings. These will serve as the chain links that connect the double Persian star units.
 2. **Connect the Chain Links:** Pass a jump ring through a simple ring and then through the top ring of a double Persian star unit. Close the jump ring securely. Repeat the process to connect the other double Persian star unit to the other side of the chain link.
 3. **Continue the Pattern:** Continue adding chain links and double Persian star units in this manner until the bracelet reaches the desired length.
1. **Trim Excess Wire:** If there is any excess wire protruding from the ends of the bracelet, trim it using wire cutters.

2. **Attach the Clasp:** Using round nose pliers, open the clasp and attach it to one end of the bracelet. Repeat the process to attach the other end of the clasp.
3. **Polishing (Optional):** For a lustrous finish, polish the bracelet using a soft cloth and metal polish. This will remove any tarnish or fingerprints.

Congratulations! You have successfully crafted an exquisite Double Persian Star Chain Bracelet that showcases your newfound skills in chain maille jewelry making. This intricate piece is not only a testament to your artistic flair but also a wearable work of art. Wear it with pride and delight in the compliments that are sure to follow.

Remember, the beauty of chain maille lies in the endless possibilities for creativity and customization. Experiment with different ring sizes, wire gauges, and color combinations to create truly unique and captivating designs. As you delve deeper into this fascinating craft, you will uncover a world of intricate patterns and breathtaking creations that will inspire you for years to come.



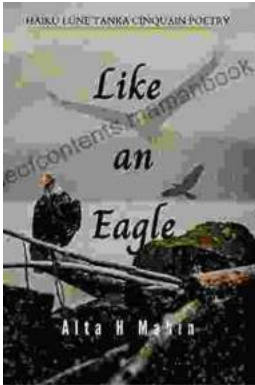
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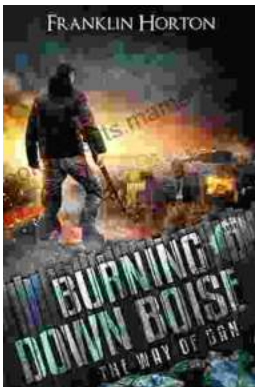
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