

Level of
design:
Intermediate



Sterling Silver Rambling Rose Rustic Cuff

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What you'll need:

<i>Sterling Silver Cuff Bangle 150x5mm Stamping Blank</i>	NVJ 644
<i>Sterling Silver Flat Washer 15mm Stamping Blank Pack of 3</i>	NVJ 578X
<i>Sterling Silver Round Wire 1.00mm</i>	HSA 100 (30.0cm)
<i>Sterling Silver Sheet 0.50mm Fully Annealed Soft</i>	CSA 050 (2cm x 2cm)

Tools:

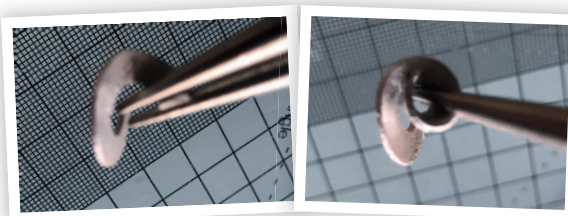
<i>Round Nose Pliers</i>	999 697
<i>Flat Nose Pliers</i>	999 695
<i>ImpressArt Bracelet Bending Pliers</i>	999 1123
<i>Shears</i>	999 658
<i>Wire Cutters</i>	997 XU08
<i>Files</i>	999 528
<i>Soldering Equipment</i>	999 096Q
<i>Polishing Equipment</i>	999 096E

Step 1

Make the Cut

Using shears (or a saw) make a cut in the Washer on one side only.

Anneal the Washer to make it more pliable when using the round nosed pliers



Take one end of the split Washer and start to curl around the tip of the round nosed pliers.



Continue rotating until you have a stylised rose shape. File the edges to make them smooth.



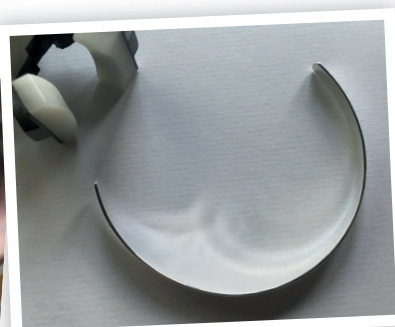
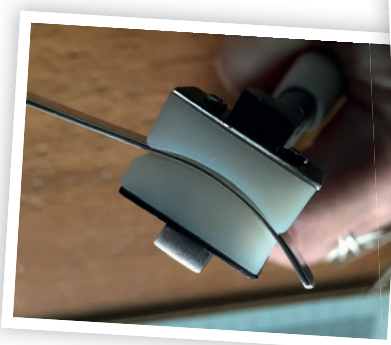
Once you are happy with the shape of your rose, give it a gently whack to make sure that the edges on the reverse are flush. This is important so that the solder will flow and attach the rose to the cuff.

Step 2

Bend into Shape

Using the ImpressArt Bracelet Bending Pliers work your way around the cuff to give it a gentle bend.

It is easier to do this before wrapping the wire around it, otherwise you may end up with baggy sections on the inside.



Step 3

Cut the Shapes

Using shears (or saw) cut out simple leaf shapes. Aim for an odd number as this is more aesthetically pleasing. I used three.

File the edges smooth.



Using a chisel ended punch or scorer make fine lines to resemble the veins on a leaf.

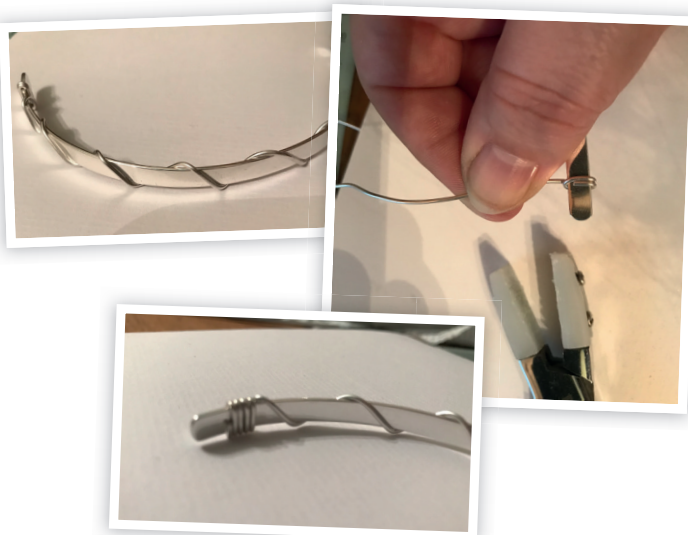
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Wrap the Wire

Using shears (or saw) cut out simple leaf Taking the 30cm length of 1.00mm gauge Sterling Silver Round Wire wrap twice approximately 0.75cm from one end of the cuff. Pull as tight as you can and then flatten with flat nose pliers.

Wrap the wire diagonally around the cuff until you reach the other end. Each time you wrap, make sure to pull the wire tight and check that on the inner curve of the cuff there are no sagging areas of wire.

When you reach the other end of the cuff wrap four times and cut wire on the inside of the cuff. Flatten again with flat nosed pliers.



Step 5

Solder and Secure

I used a 'third hand' to help stabilise the cuff for soldering.

Flux and apply a tiny piece of hard solder to the back of the end wire wraps.

Heat, quench and pickle.



Solder the rose to the end of the cuff with the two wire wraps. Quench and pickle.

Step 6

Place the Leaves

Chose where you want to place your leaves and sweat solder in place. I found it helpful to bind with iron wire as the leaves are small and jump around with the force of the torch.

Quench and pickle.



Step 7

Finish Up

Re-use the bending pliers around the cuff again to finalise its shape. File and polish as desired.

Ta Dah you now have a beautiful Rambling Rose Rustic Cuff.

