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Silver Bezel Cabochon Bracelet

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Create this stunning silver bezel cabochon bracelet using any gemstone of your choice! We've chosen a warming amber cabochon, with step by step guide from jewellery designer, Sharon Philogene.



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What you'll need:

design: **Beginner**

| Sterling Silver Bezel cup 10mm | NVJ 543 |
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| 10mm Round Cabochon | |
| Amber | 1AB BPMU |
| Amethyst | 61AM BPMT |
| Labradorite | 61LB CA10 |
| 5.5mm Jump Rings x 4GM | NVH D55 |
| Filigree Clasp | NVF 805 |
| Polishing Kit | 999 6603 |
| Nushine Silver Liquid Polish | 998 038 |
| Bezel | 999 AJG |
| Rubber Block | 999 7151 |
| Flat Nosed Pliers | 999 695 |

Before you start...

Take the bezel cups and polish them with a sterling silver liquid polish using a polishing mop on your micro motor. Wash them in hot water with washing up liquid to remove any polish. Here we've polished the bezels as the amber gemstones, used in the example, can

Step 1

Setting the gemstones

Place the gemstone of your choice into the bezel cup (you may need to gently open up the prongs slightly to fit the gemstone in). Then place the bezel on a rubber block to help keep the bezel still. Using a bezel pusher start to push the prongs in gently on one side then turn the bezel around and do the opposite side.

Now do the two remaining sides. Don't push down too firmly at first, as you want the gemstone to be set equally.

After all the prongs are pushed in gently go over them again pushing harder this time to make sure all the prongs are firmly in place.



Step 2

Repeat

Repeat the previous step 8 - 9 times, depending on the length you need for the bracelet.

Step 3

Joining the bezels

Join the bezels together with heavy 5.5mm jump rings. Make sure to open the jump rings from left to right and ensuring the jump ring is closed tightly.



Step 4 To finish

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To finish off the bracelet, take the large filigree clasp (this will be the focal point of the piece when it moves to the front of the wrist) and add two 5mm heavy jump rings, one to the bezel cup and one to the jump ring that's already attached to the clasp. It's best to use two jump rings so it's not too near the bezel, as this can hinder how the bracelet sits on the wrist.

On the opposite end bezel add a 5.5mm heavy jump ring and an 8mm heavy jump ring on to the 5mm jump ring, as this will be the ring that fits into the clasp. That's it the bracelet is now complete! To polish the bracelet use a silver polishing cloth, so you don't damage the gemstone.

