



CLUSTER RING



The luxurious cluster ring is easy to create using Efco's wire mesh rings. Choose your favourite colour combination in assorted beads for a dynamic effect!

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Materials needed:

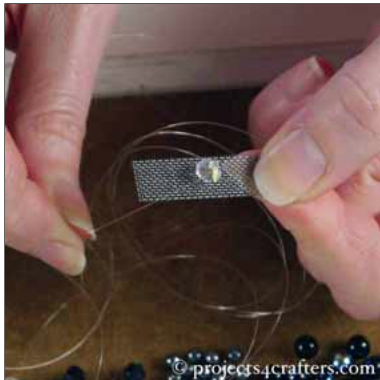
Silver Rect. Sieve Ring (97 726 07)
Transparent Thread .25mm (10 055 25)
Large Beads:
Crystal AB Swarovski 6mm (21 051 02)
Jet AB Glass Round 6mm (21 275 89)
Black Cat's Eye Facet 6mm (21 130 89)
Grey Luster Glass Wax 4mm (21 170 86)
White Matt Luster Glass Wax 4mm
(21 336 01)
Seed Bead & Filler Bead:
Silver Indian Silver-lined 2.2mm
(10 254 91)
Metallic Silver Indian 2.6mm (10 221 91)
Scissors & Silicon Glue
Elastic Band & Blu Tack
(Efc product codes in brackets)



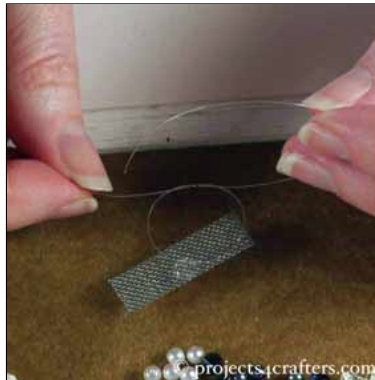
1 Cut approx one metre length of transparent thread. Thread 10-15 cm of it through to the back of the wire mesh in the centre.



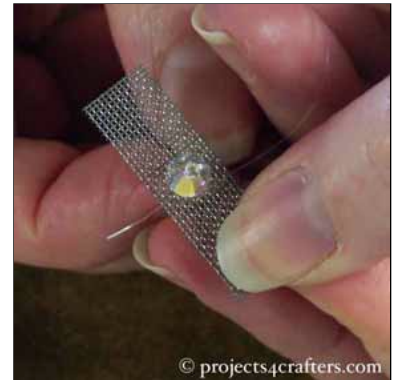
2 Thread a large bead followed by a seed bead onto the long end of the thread. Then thread the end back through the large bead.



3 Thread the end through a hole in the wire mesh next to the one threaded through in Step 1 and pull the ends tight.



4 Tie a double knot in the thread ends whilst keeping the beads tight to the mesh.



5 Thread the long end back through to the front of the mesh, as close as possible to the first bead.



6 Thread another large bead followed by a seed bead onto the thread. Go back through the large bead before passing the thread through a hole in the mesh. It doesn't matter what hole as long as it is close to or the same as the one you came up.



7 Repeat Step 6 until you have created a ring of beads around the first.



8 Working out from the centre, thread more beads onto the mesh in the gaps between the beads already sewn on.



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9 Continue working in the same way, first to one end of the mesh and then to the other.



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10 Check if there are any 'holes' where you can see the mesh. 'Fill' them in with more beads, using filler beads with seed beads for any tiny 'holes'.



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11 When you are happy with the effect. Pull the threads tight and tie a double knot in the ends. Trim the excess thread approx. 5mm from the knot.



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12 Apply a good coat of silicon glue to the back of the mesh, taking care not to push it through to the beads.



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13 Gently bed the mesh into the ring finding.



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14 Carefully wrap an elastic band around the ring. Check to make sure the mesh hasn't moved before leaving it to dry in a ball of blu tack.



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15 A round ring is completed in the same way. First sew a bead in the centre, tying the thread ends at the back.



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16 Then sew a ring of beads around the centre bead. Continue in the same vein with a couple more rings.



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17 'Fill' in any 'holes' with more beads. (You'll find you have less holes when using predominantly facet beads.)