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Hey Jewelry Fans,

Rings may be tiny items of DIY jewelry, but they can pack a big fashion statement punch. If you're someone who loves to adorn their fingers with shiny and shimmering rings, this is the eBook for you. This collection of DIY rings features projects in a variety of styles with one common element: wire! From the perfect ring to wear to a holiday party to stackable pieces you can wear every day, this selection of amazing wire jewelry making tutorials is centered on homemade rings that you are sure to adore. Whether you want to brush up on your wire-wrapping skills, or if you are a novice wire jewelry maker, you are sure to find a tutorial that fits your needs in this group of dazzling DIY rings. Some tutorials include beads, some have a bohemian flair, and others are elegant and classy; their commonality is that they all use the wonderful jewelry making tool of wire to help you craft intricate and lovely designs. Follow along with these wire jewelry making tutorials and you will have five fabulous new DIY wire rings in no time!

With Marvelous Wire Rings: 5 DIY Rings, you will be able to make a homemade ring for any occasion and for any sense of style. Whether you prefer the romantic shimmer of the Wire Rose Ring, the versatile elegance of the Wrapped Peach Aventurine Ring, or the whimsicalness of the Bohemian Midi Ring, there is a gorgeous DIY ring tutorial in this collection for you. With both simple and intricate wire designs, each project will help you learn a new skill while creating a stunning set of DIY wire rings. By printing out this free eBook, you will have an amazing resource for the best DIY wire jewelry crafts around. These DIY wire rings are sure to become favorites in your jewelry collection!

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Happy creating!

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### **ELEGANT DIY WIRE RINGS**

# **Wire Rose Ring**

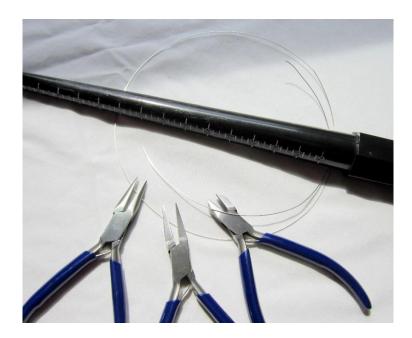
By: Kimberlie Kohler from **Emerging Creatively Tutorials** 

Amaze your friends when you tell them that you made this Wire Rose Ring. Learning how to make wire rings may seem intimidating, but with the help of this wire-wrapping tutorial and the right equipment, it's an easy process. The wire-wrapping techniques for this DIY ring are easy even for newcomers to wirework, and the finished product is well worth the effort spent. These rings would make wonderful presents for special occasions, especially for couples young and old.



### **Materials:**

- 18 or 20 gauge, half-hard round wire (any metal you like)
- Ring mandrel
- Wire cutters
- Chain nose pliers
- Serrated chain nose pliers (with teeth)



Note: If you don't have a ring mandrel, try a wooden dowel rod in the size of your finger. However, you can get ring mandrels relatively inexpensively.

### **Instructions:**

- 1. Cut about 24 inches of wire. If you're making a small ring, you'll need less; bigger ring, you'll need more.
- 2. Wrap the wire around the ring mandrel 3 times. (There will be 4 wires showing in the back.) Do this about 1 full ring size larger than the size you are trying to make.



3. After step 2, the ends of the wire should end up in the front. Gather all the wires closely together and move them to about a 1/2 size bigger than the ring size you are trying to make.

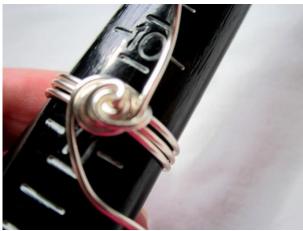
Twist the wires. (See photo below.)





4. Take an end of the wire in each hand. Twist the wire in a circular motion. With each wrap, go under the previous wrap. In all honesty, I forgot to count how many twists I did when I made this particular ring. I made another one and counted, and I did 8 twists. However, just do it until you like the look. How many twists you do will depend on the gauge of your wire as well.





5. Carefully take the ring off the ring mandrel. Be careful to make sure the wires don't unwrap. Wrap each end through the ring band and around the ring band next to the rose. They should be on opposite sides going in opposite directions.



6. Return the ring to the ring mandrel. Pull the wire down very hard with serrated chain nose pliers. Just hold the wire at the very ends (you'll cut that part off at the very end.)

Note: Sometimes when you pull wire very hard it can break. Be careful!!

After pulling down as hard as you can, bend the wire up and across the ring band. (See photo below.) Take the ring off the ring mandrel, flip the ring so the other side's wire is facing down and repeat on the other side.

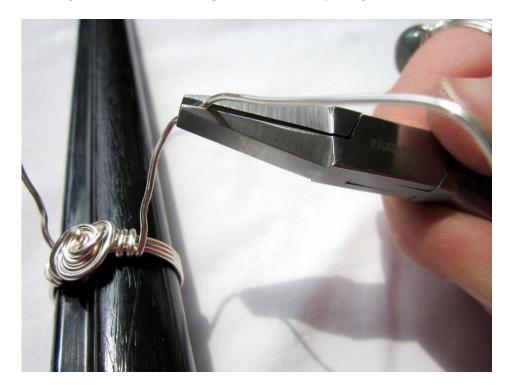




7. Take the ring off the mandrel and wrap around two to three more times around the ring band.



8. Place the ring back on the mandrel again and follow Step #6 again.



9. Cut off the excess wire from each end. I like to end in the middle of the top of the ring.



10. Using your non-serrated chain nose pliers, push in the ends and make sure they aren't loose or won't catch on anything.







# **Wrapped Peach Aventurine Ring**

By: Bettina Johnson from Oh Everything Handmade

Learn how to make a wire ring that is both elegant and versatile with this tutorial for a Wrapped Peach Aventurine Ring. Aventurine is a type of quartz that gives off a glistening or shimming effect, and this DIY ring is sure to be a shiny standout. The peach coloring makes this homemade ring a perfect match to most ensembles. Like other DIY gemstone jewelry, you can substitute out the gemstones and personalize the piece. No matter what gemstone you use, this DIY ring is sure to be a favorite part of your homemade jewelry collection.



### **Materials:**

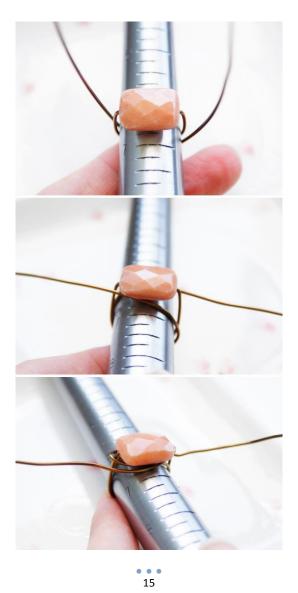
- Artistic Wire 18-Gauge Tarnish Resistance Silver Wire (Artistic dead soft wire 1ft)
- 1 Bead (11x6mm)
- Ring Mandrel Finger Sizer Gauges to Find Exact Size Rings
- Jewelry Plier Set, Set of 5

### Instructions:

1. Cut a piece of 18ga round dead soft wire 1 ft (30cm) long.



2. Place a 11x6mm pillow bead in the middle of the wire. Bend the wire down as shown.



- 3. Place the wire with a bead around the ring mandrel at ½ size larger than needed. Wrap the wire around the ring. There is one wire on either side of a bead.
- 4. Wrap each wire twice around the bead, one side at a time and alternate sides. Your wires will end up in opposite directions.



- 5. Use the wire end to wrap around the shank. Make 2-3 wraps. Cut the wire. Tuck the wire ends with chain nose pliers so they are not poking.
- 6. Repeat step 5 with the other wire end.



7. Your ring is done!!! You can play with different sizes and colors for your bead and wire, and you will always have a different ring!



### **FUN AND FESTIVE WIRE RINGS**

# Wire Wrapped Berry Ring Tutorial

By: Catherine Fox for AllFreeJewelryMaking.com

Need a last piece for your holiday outfit? Follow this Wire Wrapped Berry Ring Tutorial for an easy and cute holiday party ring that can easily be worn all year long! Show off your creative abilities at this year's holiday party! This adorable DIY wire ring would also make a fantastic gift. The red beads make this DIY ring appropriate for Christmas, Valentine's Day, the Fourth of July, and so many other occasions. If you want to make a sweet treat for yourself, or a friend, this tutorial on how to make wire wrap jewelry is just what you need.



### **Materials:**

- 26 gauge gold colored wire
- (5) 6mm round red glass beads
- Wire cutters
- Round-nose pliers
- Long-nose pliers

### Instructions:

- 1. Take your wire and measure about 6 inches from one end. Start wrapping the wire loosely around your finger (or if you are lucky, a ring mandrel). Wrap it about 5-6 times.
- 2. Slide the wire off your finger. Adjust the loops so they are all the same size. Slide the ring back on your finger and make sure there is a small gap between the ring and your finger.
- 3. Take the six inch tail of wire and wrap it around the wire loops to secure them. Continue wrapping until you reach the other wire end. Secure the wire end by tightly wrapping it a couple times. Trim any excess.
- 4. Cut the wire end to about 8-10 inches. Slide on a bead and bring it close to the ring. Wrap the wire end around the bottom of the bead to secure it in place. Continue like this with the other four beads.
- 5. Wrap the wire end around the ring and then several times around the base of the bead cluster. Wrap the wire end a couple times around the ring again to secure it. Trim any excess. Use pliers to pinch the wire end.



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# **Bohemian Midi Ring**

By: Allison Cooling from The Quiet Lion

Show a little unconventionality with the chic Bohemian Midi Ring, a cute little wire piece that sits in the middle of your finger for off-center charm. If you need something unusual and easy to dress up your wardrobe, this tutorial gives a great lesson in how to make wire jewelry. Following the instructions will allow you to create a ring that's ahead of the fashion curve. Best of all, these DIY rings are easy, quick, and only require a little bit of wire for a look that goes a long way.



### **Materials:**

- 18 gauge jewelry wire
- jewelry pliers
- nail polish or marker (to bend the wire around)



### **Instructions:**

- 1. Gather your materials.
- 2. Cut off a coil of wire. At one end, use your roundnose pliers and start a loop. Continue to make a loose loop, as seen in the picture. Now, bend this wire around your nail polish top, using it as a mold (find one that is the approximate size you need your ring. Remember, midi rings are smaller than regular rings). Continue looping until your wire is used up.



3. Make a small loop at the end to finish the end. If you need to trim your wire beforehand to make it the appropriate length, do this before looping.



4. That's really it! It only takes five minutes to make your midi ring.





## **Silent Night Wire Wrapped Ring**

By: Catherine Fox for AllFreeJewelryMaking

Learn how to wire wrap a pretty ring that is perfect for the holidays with this Silent Night Wire Wrapped Ring tutorial. This tutorial demonstrates basic wire wrapping techniques that can be used to create all kinds of wire jewelry designs. Make this dainty piece as a present for a friend, or wear it yourself to all your holiday gatherings. Featuring a star bead representing the Star of Bethlehem atop three sapphire-colored beads, this wire-wrapped ring is the perfect Christmas accessory.



### **Materials:**

- one 6mm gold colored star spacer
- three faceted navy glass beads
- about 24 inches of 24-gauge silver colored wire
- ring mandrel
- wire cutters
- a pair of pliers

### Instructions:

- 1. Take your wire and center it under the ring mandrel so that you have both ends of the wire about even on either side of the mandrel. When working with a mandrel, you need to work one size up from your desired size. I am making a size 7 ring, so I am working with size 8 on the mandrel. Wrap each end of wire around the mandrel twice.
- 2. Slide the loops off the mandrel and begin securing them by wrapping the wire ends around the loops. This part doesn't have to be perfect, nor does it need to be messy. Just do your best for a

- consistent look. When you are done wrapping, both of the ends should meet again. Also, try on the ring to see if it fits right!
- 3. Take one of the wire ends and string on two beads. Bend the wire down so both of the beads are sitting on top of the ring and then have the wire end go through the ring. Now take the wire end and wrap it around the base of the beads until you have about 1 inch of wire remaining. Leave this wire end alone for now while you work with the other one.
- 4. Take the other end of wire and string on the last bead. Poke the wire end through the middle of the other two beads and pull to tighten. Now take your star spacer and string it onto the wire end. Bend the wire so that it's flush with the star spacer. Cut the wire to about 1 inch.
- 5. Pinch the end of wire with your pliers and rotate this little loop to make a spiral. Do this until you reach the star spacer and then just position the spiral to where you think it looks good.
- 6. To finish off the other wire end, poke it through the base of the beads and pull to tighten. Trim the wire end down to 1 inch if needed. Now just pinch the end like you did with the other wire end and create a spiral. Position this spiral to where you think it looks good.

You can also watch this video tutorial for additional tips and tricks!



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