

Rings Around the Wine Glasses

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Wine glass charms just take a few minutes, and they are a great way to use your left over beads because you WANT every one to be different.

All you need is some ring sized Memory Wire. If you're leaving part of the wire exposed you might want to try the plated wire.



These can be as simple as a little charm and a few seed beads or as fancy as the fringed wine charm at the top right.

Just cut your memory wire in about a 1 1/4 round so you'll have enough to

make the little turns on the ends that will hold the beads on. Make sure to use memory wire cutters when you're cutting it, and wear goggles. Arrange your beads how you'd like them and then use round nose pliers to make a small loop at each end.



As you can see, you don't even need anything to dangle.

Your charm can be as simple as a strand of pretty seed beads - a set in different colors would work great!



Rules:

There aren't many rules to making wine glass charms, but there are a couple of things to keep in mind.

- Make sure the wire overlaps, Or at least comes close enough that your charm won't fall off the wine glass.
- Make sure they are different enough that people can tell their glasses apart (kind of the point)



They even look great on plastic glasses!



Some charms don't work very well. I loved the idea of the pig, but it doesn't hang right so it's hard to tell what it is. Wine glass charms are a great place to use the inexpensive one sided flat charms.

