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Bronze Byzantine Chain Mail Bracelet

Yesterday it was worn to defend, to protect—today it's worn to stand out in a crowd and take charge! Chain mail jewelry retains its deep-rooted, romantic history with intricately woven, fluid patterns that behave like luxurious textiles—textiles with a kick! The Byzantine chain is an ancient pattern using knot formations which reverse to mirror each other, joined by connector pairs that alternate between vertical and horizontal orientation. We recommend using two chain-nose pliers or one chain-nose and one flat-nose plier to make the bracelet.



Inside this kit

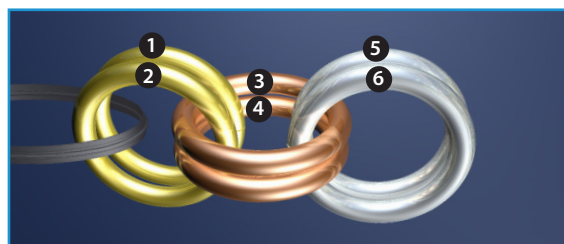
Find the jump rings and clasp needed to create a 7½"–8" bracelet.

Description	Quantity	Order #
Bronze 3.5mm 18 ga. jump ring	200 each	684-717
Bronze 4.2mm 16 ga. closed ring	2 each	686-932
Bronze S-hook clasp	1 each	686-941

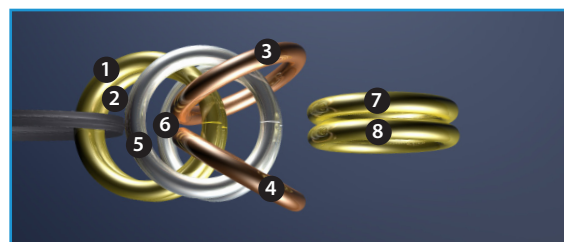
1. The Byzantine chain pattern can be broken down into two basic alternating components: the 2+2 knot formation and the connector pair.



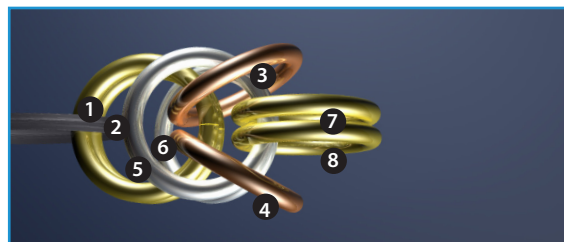
2. Begin with a twist tie or paper clip to anchor your work. Add six jump rings (assembled 2+2+2) to the anchor.



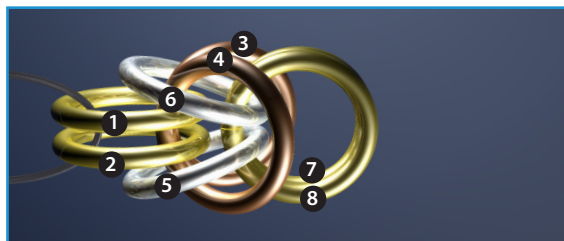
3. Fold back rings 5 and 6 and open rings 3 and 4 to create a rectangular opening for the next knot formation.



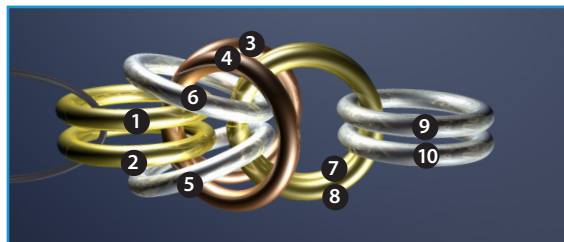
- When adding connector rings 7 and 8, it can be helpful to press inward on the outside of rings 5 and 6 to hold the knot formation open. Add rings 7 and 8 to the rectangular opening.



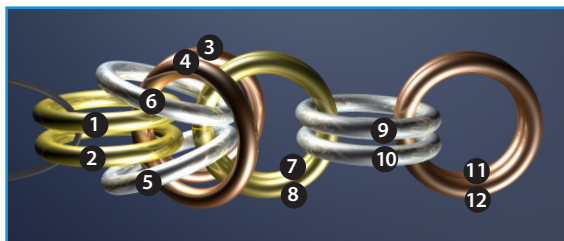
- Rotate your work 90 degrees to prepare for adding the next knot formation.



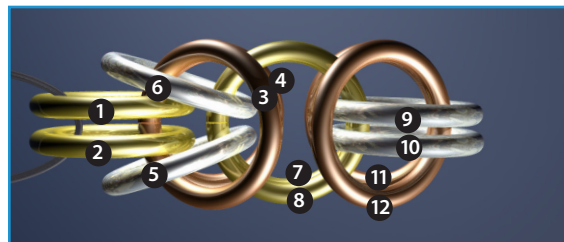
- Add rings 9 and 10 to the connector pair (rings 7 and 8).



- Add rings 11 and 12 to rings 9 and 10 to create the next knot formation.



- Fold back rings 11 and 12 to mirror the previous knot formation.



- Open rings 9 and 10 to create the next rectangular opening. Press inward on the outside of rings 11 and 12 to hold the knot formation open.



- Add two jump rings 13 and 14 to the rectangular opening to form the next connector pair. Repeat steps 5–9 until you reach the desired length, then finish each end with a large closed ring and the S-hook clasp.

