

Mother's Day Jewelry Gifts



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Letter from the Editors

Hello Jewelry Fans,

It's almost Mother's Day, which means it's time to start thinking about gifts for the most important woman in your life! You want to give your mother something that shows how much you care and appreciate her. What better way to do that than with some gorgeous handmade jewelry? A piece of hand-crafted jewelry is the perfect Mother's Day present because it is meaningful and makes your mom feel extra special. Luckily, we've collected 8 free jewelry making tutorials that any mother would be happy to receive! If your mom is anything like mine, she's always neglecting her own needs to take care of others. It's about time our moms were pampered! With a beautiful handcrafted necklace or bracelet, your mom will feel like the queen she is.

This eBook is a collection of jewelry making projects from our favorite bloggers, jewelry designers, and jewelry companies all together in one place.

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Happy creating!

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Wire Mom Cuff

By: [Gail from Can't Stop Making Things](#)

Want to show your mother how much she means to you? Spell it out with this neat wire cuff. She'll be impressed by your intricate wire-wrapping skills and will be proud to call herself your mom!



Materials:

- 16 gauge silver wire
- 24 gauge silver wire
- Small wire cutter
- Small needle nose pliers
- Hammer
- Steel bench block

Instructions:

1.) Subtract a couple of inches for the finished size of the bracelet. Take the 16 gauge wire and loop it around until it is the required size. The opening should be in the middle of a long side of the loop.

2.) With your needle nose pliers, bend smaller lengths of 16 gauge wire to make the word "MOM." All of the letters should be the same height, and there should be curlicues at the ends of the "M"s.



- 3.) Pound the wire pieces flat with a hammer on a piece of steel. A concrete garage floor will work in a pinch. This will make the wire stronger and more jewelry-like.

- 4.) Place the "O" in the middle of your wire loop. The opening of the "O" should be opposite the loop opening. Cut short lengths of the 24 gauge wire and wrap them around the letters and the bracelet where they meet. Wrap just a few times, just to hold them in place; then finish wrapping when all of the letters are attached.

- 5.) Wrap wire between the "O" and the "M" curlicues to attach them together.



- 6.) Lastly, wrap the short wire where the "O" meets the split in the loop. By this time the bracelet will be stiff enough to make this wrap a little easier.

- 7.) Cut the ends off of the 24 gauge wire on the outside of the bracelet. Tuck and file if necessary. No sharp ends please. Lightly tap the small wire joints with a hammer to set them.

- 8.) Gently wrap your bracelet around a soup can to form the rounded shape. Adjust the shape with your hands.

Glass Photo Pendant

By: [Jeanne Baruth for Diamond Tech](#)

Give your mom or grandmother a customized, one-of-a-kind gift with this amazing tutorial for a photo pendant! You won't find a necklace like this at any store. This pretty pendant is a perfect way for her to always keep her family close at heart.



Materials:

- Fuseworks™ Microwave Kiln
- Fuseworks™ Kiln Paper
- Fuseworks™ Fusible Shapes –one each, white and blue
- Fuseworks™ Milliefiori –small 1/16", optional
- Fuseworks™ Image Art Photo Paper
- Fuseworks™ Small Gold Bale
- E6000® or other glass glue
- High iron oxide laser jet printer
- Photo manipulating program
- Photograph

Instructions:

- 1.) Follow the manufacturer's instructions. Select size and print the desired photo for your pendant on Image Art Paper.
- 2.) Clean glass using paper towel moistened with water. Completely dry the surface of the glass with a lint-free cloth.
- 3.) Cut the desired decal to fit the surface of the white Fusible Shape. Place Image Art photo decal in water (preferably distilled) for approximately 30 seconds. Position the backing-paper against the Fusible Shape. The decal should slide off backing-paper easily. Use a delicate touch when handling the Image Art photo decals as they are fragile. Gently pat the moisture from the decal and glass with a clean, dry paper towel. Allow the decal to dry completely. This may take several hours depending on your climate. Any moisture left under the Image Art will cause it to adhere poorly when fired.
- 4.) Cut a 2" x 2" piece of kiln paper. Remove the lid from the Fuseworks™ Kiln. Place the 2" x 2" piece of kiln paper on the kiln base.
- 5.) Place the blue Fusible Shape in the center of the kiln paper. Cover with the white Fusible Shape so the image faces up. **OPTIONAL:** For an added accent, adorn with a 1/16" thin piece of Milliefiori on top of the Image Art decal.
- 6.) Carefully set the base with glass inside the microwave. Cover base and glass with kiln lid.
- 7.) If using a 1200-watt microwave, fuse at 50% power for 2 minutes. Then increase the power to 80% for an additional 2 minutes. If using a microwave with a lower wattage, increase the time to 2 minutes and 30 seconds. **PLEASE NOTE:** All microwave and kiln combinations will have different firing patterns. Be sure to take careful notes and log all fusing times for future use.
- 8.) When time has expired, open microwave and, using oven mitts, carefully lift the lid enough to inspect the fusing process. Glass should have nicely round edges. If need be, add additional time in 15- to 30-second increments until the desired results are achieved. Remove kiln from microwave using the oven mitts and place on a heat-resistant surface.
- 9.) Cool the kiln on a heat-resistant surface for at least 30 to 40 minutes with the lid on. **WARNING:** Removing the lid or peeking under the lid during the cooling will result in your piece cracking. Glass remains hot for a long time; handle with great caution.
- 10.) Cool the glass completely. Remove the kiln paper under running water. Dry the glass with a soft cloth.
- 11.) Glue a small gold bale to the top of the Fusible Shape.

Thumbprint Heart Necklace

By: [Jill from Meet the Dubiens](#)

Preserve her kids' prints with this thoughtful necklace tutorial! This easy project uses clay and nail polish to make a precious pendant that will have special meaning to any mother. Plus, the kids will have a great time making these!



Materials:

- White Crayola Model Magic clay
- Rolling pin
- Small circle cutter (not pictured)
- Bamboo skewer
- Nail polish –in whatever colors you wish
- Necklace



Instructions:

- 1.) Roll out the white Model Magic clay so it's about ½-inch thick.
- 2.) Using your circle cutter, cut out however many circles you want, depending on how many necklaces you are making.
- 3.) Get your kids to press their thumbprints in a heart shape on the mid-bottom of the circles.
- 4.) Slightly pinch the top of the circle and push a bamboo skewer through to make holes on each side. Take out the necklace you'll be using and make sure the holes are big enough for your necklace to go through.
- 5.) Allow to dry overnight.
- 6.) Pick out your favorite shades of nail polish and paint the heart shape. You may have to do a few coats to get your desired color. Allow to dry.
- 7.) Thread your necklace through the holes.



Hobby Lobby Craft Necklace

By: [Terri from A Creative Princess](#)

This Mother's Day, skip the card and say it with jewelry! This super simple necklace is endlessly customizable, so you can choose just what message to send to your mom.



Materials:

- An old gift card, stationary, etc.
- Scrapbook scissors
- Mod Podge Dimensional Magic
- Round bail
- Ball chain necklace (or chain of your choice)

Instructions:

1.) Find a source of typography for your pendant (this pendant was made from an old Hobby Lobby gift card). You will want something sturdy, like plastic or cardstock, so avoid using regular paper.



2.) Use scrapbook scissors to cut out the word you want to use for the pendant.



3.) Apply Dimensional Magic, available from Mod Podge or Royal Coat, to the front of the word pendant following the instructions on the bottle. Once it has dried, glue a round bail to the back.



4.) Once the glue has dried, slip the pendant onto the ball chain.



Silhouette Charm Bracelet

By: [Emilie from Plucky Momo](#)

These gorgeous silhouette charms are a new take on an old tradition. Make this special piece for your mom, grandma, aunt, best friend—any special lady in your life who cherishes her children and wants to keep them close at all times!



Materials:

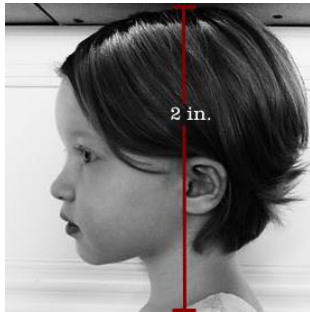
- 1 sheet black shrink plastic
- Craft knife
- Cutting mat
- Small hole punch
- Parchment paper/Silpat & cookie sheet
- Chain link bracelet
- Jump rings

Instructions:

1.) Take photos of your subject from a 90-degree angle. It may help to have your subject look at a fixed point while you snap the photos. You will want to take multiple photos from slightly different angles to make sure you get that perfect 90-degree shot.



2.) Change to black and white and crop photo so that the top of head to bottom is 2 inches.

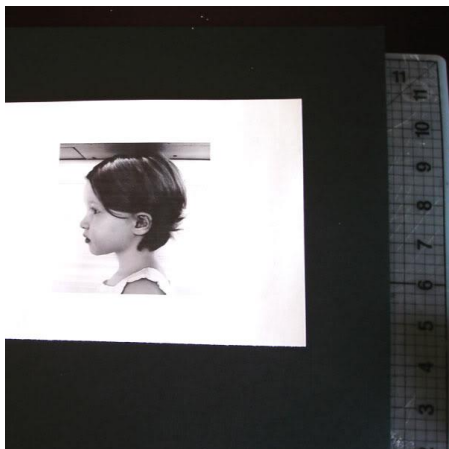


3.) Print picture out on regular white printer paper, not card stock.



(NOTE: The following photos are from a larger-sized silhouette. Just pretend that they are for a 2-inch silhouette.)

4.) Cut a 3-inch border around the edge of the silhouette and use scotch tape to affix on top of a piece of black shrink plastic.



5.) With a cutting mat beneath, use a fine-tipped craft knife to cut around the silhouette edge. Make sure to keep the craft knife straight up and down, and press firmly enough to go through the layer of paper and the layer of shrink plastic.



6.) Use a ruler to cut an angle from nape of neck to top of chest if desired.

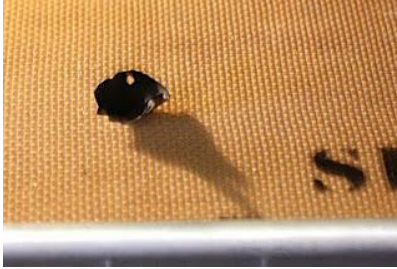


7.) Use a small 1/8-inch hole punch (available at craft stores) to make a hole in the top of the head about 1/4 inch from the edge.

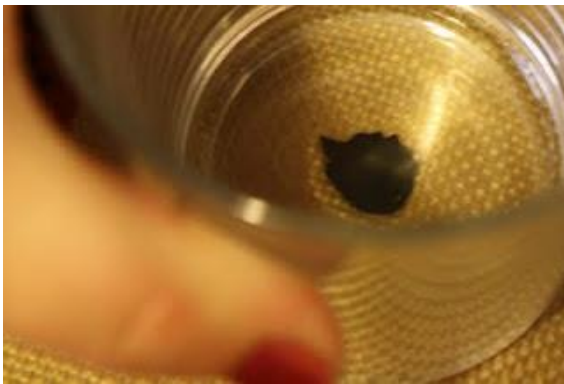


8.) Pre-heat oven per shrink plastic instructions and prepare a baking sheet by lining it with parchment paper or a Silpat. Do not skip this step and bake right on a baking sheet; the shrink plastic will stick and create a warped finished product.

9.) Place shrink plastic on sheet and bake per directions. Plastic will curl up and then begin to flatten. Have a flat-bottomed object handy (such as a paper plate) right next to the stove.



10.) When plastic is mostly flattened, remove sheet from oven and immediately use flat-bottomed object to completely flatten silhouettes by applying firm pressure straight down onto shrink plastic.



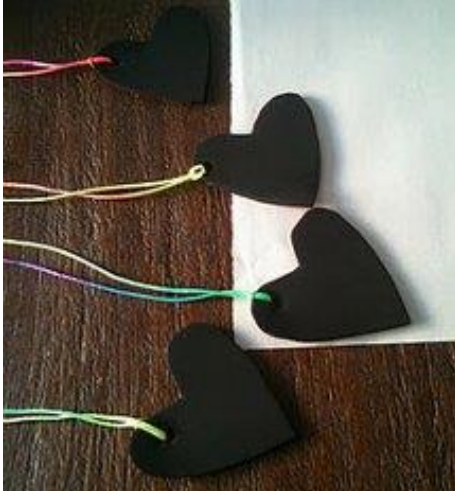
11.) Remove silhouette from baking sheet, add small jump ring through punched hole, and attach ring to charm bracelet.



Foam Chalkboard Pendant

By: [Shimi Store](#)

What better way to celebrate Mother's Day than by making a special craft project with your kids? Spend some quality time with your little ones making these cute chalkboard pendants; then have them write you a special note that you can proudly display around your neck!

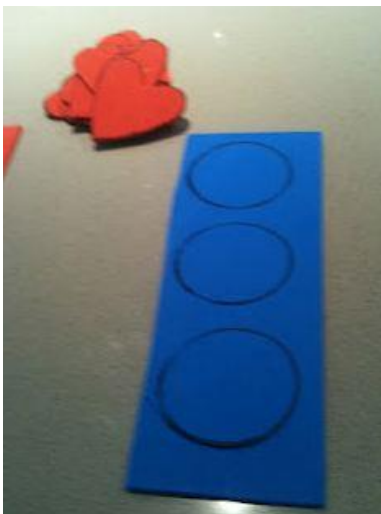


Materials:

- A sheet of foam
- String for the necklace
- Blackboard spray paint
- Hole punch

Instructions:

1.) Trace your desired shapes (try using cookie cutters) onto the foam sheet and then cut out.



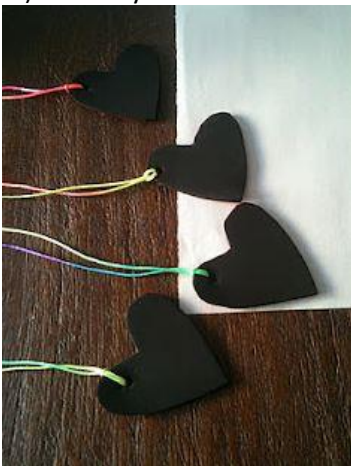
2.) Punch holes in your foam shapes for the necklace string to go through.



3.) Spray paint the foam shapes with the chalkboard paint. Allow to completely dry.



4.) Thread your foam chalkboard pendants onto your chain or necklace string.



All A Flutter Necklace

By: [Beverly from Flamingo Toes](#)

Want to pamper your mom with lavish gifts but your pocketbook won't allow it? This Anthropologie knockoff necklace is just as cute as the original but costs a fraction of the price to make! Plus these floaty, fluttery chiffon flowers are perfect for the May holiday.



Materials:

- Assorted pieces of chiffon or very lightweight fabric
- Chain – approximately 33"
- 5 adjustable end caps
- 4 cording crimp beads with loops
- Cording (small amounts)
- Embroidery floss
- 2 crystal beads and headpins
- Closure pieces (lobster clasp and jump ring)
- 5 jump rings



Instructions:

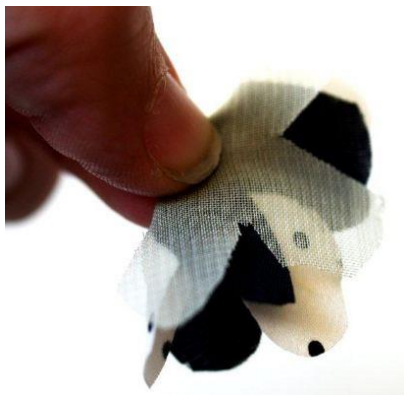
1.) Start by making a flower pattern. (The one shown here has five petals and is about 1 ½ inches wide.)
Cut out 15 flowers, five from each of the three fabrics.



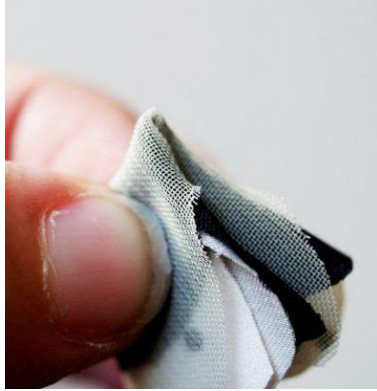
2.) Layer three of the flowers together, alternating where the petals go.



3.) Holding the three pieces together, fold the flower group in half.



4.) Fold in half twice more. You should have a folded point at the top of the flower.



5.) Open up the points of the end cap a little with your pliers.



6.) Add a drop of glue in the center; then put the point of your flower into the end cap. Close the prongs of the cap around the fabric.



7.) Repeat this four more times for the other flowers. Alternate the order in which you layer the fabrics to make it a little more interesting.



8.) Cut your chain into two 12-inch pieces. Connect the two pieces with a jump ring.



9.) Cut another 2-inch piece of chain. Add it to the jump ring in the center of the chain.



10.) Add one of your flower petals to the end of the short chain with a jump ring.



11.) Tie a little bow with embroidery floss or some cording in the jump ring.



12.) Cut another piece of chain 1 inch long. Add another flower to the end of the chain with a jump ring.



13.) Thread a coordinating piece of embroidery floss through the links of the chain starting at the top and going all the way to the jump ring. Pull extra floss through and tie a bow at the end of the chain in the jump ring.



14.) Knot the floss at the other end around the last link of the chain.



15.) Add a dab of glue on the knot and bow to keep them from unraveling.

16.) Measure to the left of the center of the necklace 2 ½ inches and add this piece with a jump ring.



17.) Cut a 1 ¼-inch piece of narrow cording. Add a crimp bead with loop at each end. Crimp the bead around the cording.



18.) Add another flower petal to one end of this with another jump ring.

19.) Add this piece to your necklace 2 inches to the left of the last piece.



20.) Cut three more pieces of chain: 1 inch, 2 inches, and 2 ½ inches. For the two smaller pieces you're going to add a sparkly bead.

21.) Add a crystal bead to a head pin. (a wire with a flat side, to hold the bead on).



22.) Hold the wire with round nose pliers just above the bead. Wrap the wire around one side of the pliers to form a loop.



23.) Cut the wire with wire cutters at the point that it meets itself at the top of the bead. You should have a loop.





24.) Make one more of these and add them to the bottoms of the 1-inch and 2-inch chains. Add a flower piece to the bottom of the 2 ½-inch chain. Add all three chains to a jump ring.



25.) Measure to the right of the center jump ring on the necklace 2 ½ inches and add this piece.

26.) Make another 1-inch piece with cording or similar material. Add the loop crimp beads to the cording and a flower piece with a jump ring on the end.



27.) Finish the two loose ends of the necklace with a lobster clasp and jump ring.



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Time Flies Book Locket Necklace

By: [Ornamentea](#)

Mothers are always saying how their kids grow up too fast. That's why this keepsake necklace is a perfect gift for any mom this Mother's Day. Use pictures of her kids or grandkids so she can wear this piece and think fondly upon her favorite past memories!



Materials:

- 62 inches of #3 ball chain, cut into four 15.5-inch sections
- 2 antique brass Machine Ends
- 1 Fancy Lock and Key Toggle
- 1-inch antique brass Nice Oval Cable Chain
- 1 antique brass Pocket Watch Body
- 1 large Phone Booth Locket
- 1 Window Frame Locket
- 1 Small Phone Booth Locket
- 1 pewter hot air balloon charm
- 6 assorted felt balls, 1 cm
- 6 antique silver Pretty Points Bead Caps
- 6 extra thick antique brass head pins, 1 inch
- 11 antique brass square jump rings, ½ inch
- 1 antique brass jump ring, 5 mm
- 1 2012 Calendar Template sheet, printed on desired paper
- 527 glue
- Chain nose pliers
- Round nose pliers
- Scissors
- Ruler

Instructions:

- 1.) Trim book pages according to directions on the template. Fold books to fit inside all three lockets. Use a scrap of the paper to trim a circle that fits inside the back of the Pocket Watch Body. Use a small drop of 527 glue to adhere the paper to the back of the Pocket Watch Body. Place a small drop in the center of the paper and press the wing stamping into the glue. Set this aside to dry for 3-5 hours before putting the Pocket Watch Body together.

- 2.) Place a small drop of glue inside one of the machine ends. Fit the end of each chain section into the machine end so that the chain is pressed all the way down inside. Repeat with other end of the chain sections and the remaining machine end. Allow to dry for 3-5 hours.

- 3.) Using round nose pliers, gently curl the ends of the Pretty Points Bead Caps inward. Thread a head pin through a felt ball. Fit the curled bead cap onto the head pin and use round nose pliers to loop the wire on the head pin. Repeat with remaining bead caps and felt balls. Set aside.

- 4.) Using chain nose pliers, divide the oval cable chain into one 5-link section and one 3-link section. Use the 5-link section to attach the key portion of the toggle to a machine end. Use the 3-link section to attach the lock portion of the toggle to the remaining machine end.

- 5.) Using chain nose pliers, open a square jump ring and fit it through the loop on top of one of the felt balls and around the ball chain lengths. Close securely. Repeat, attaching all charms to the necklace using the square jump rings. Note that the small Phone Booth Locket is attached to a square jump ring using a 5 mm jump ring.

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