



# Rachael's Wedding Bracelet

by Rebecca Campbell

Rebecca created this beautiful aqua bracelet for her sister Rachael's wedding. This multistrand piece works up very quickly—Rebecca created this “something new” bracelet the morning of the wedding!



## FINISHED SIZE:

7"



## MATERIALS:

- 60 aqua 6mm potato pearls
- 25 aquamarine 6mm Swarovski crystal rounds
- 28 milky peridot 4mm fire-polished glass bicones
- 42 aquamarine 3mm Swarovski crystal bicones
- 36 blue zircon 4mm Swarovski crystal rounds
- 1 sterling silver 6-strand slide clasp
- 12 sterling silver 2x2mm crimp tubes
- 12 sterling silver 4mm crimp covers
- 4' of .024 beading wire



## TOOLS:

- Crimping pliers
- Wire cutters



## TECHNIQUES

- Stringing

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**Step 1:** Attach 8" of wire to the first hole of one half of the clasp using a crimp tube. Pass through the tube and crimp; trim excess wire. Cover the tube with a crimp cover. String 30 pearls, 1 crimp tube, and the first hole on the other side of the clasp. Pass back through the tube and crimp. Trim excess wire and cover.

**Step 2:** Repeat Step 1 using the second clasp holes and the aquamarine crystal rounds.

**Step 3:** Repeat Step 1 using the third clasp holes and the fire-polished peridot bicones.

**Step 4:** Repeat Step 1 using the fourth clasp holes and the aquamarine crystal bicones.

**Step 5:** Repeat Step 1 using the fifth clasp holes and the blue zircon crystal rounds.

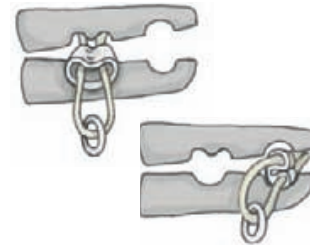
**Step 6:** Repeat Step 1 using the sixth clasp holes and the remaining pearls . 

#### RESOURCES:

Check your local bead shop for supplies. All materials: Fusion Beads, [fusionbeads.com](http://fusionbeads.com)

## Crimping

String a crimp tube and the connection finding (i.e., the loop of the clasp). Pass back through the tube, leaving a short tail. Use the back notch of the crimping pliers to press the length of the tube down between the wires, enclosing them in separate chambers of the crescent shape. Rotate the tube 90° and use the front notch of the pliers to fold the two chambers onto themselves, forming a clean cylinder. Trim the excess wire.



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