

Daisy Chain Bracelet

Cheryl Owen has taken the simple approach to enamelling when designing and making this pretty jewellery using cold enamels.

No specialist equipment is needed, just add hardener to resin to create a rock-hard surface with an attractive glossy sheen.

MATERIALS AND TOOLS

- ✓ CHEMSET® EP4011 White Colour Paste
- ✓ CHEMSET® EP4012 Yellow Colour Paste
- ✓ CHEMSET® EP4027 Turquoise Colour Paste
- ✓ CHEMSET® ES 8102 Resin
- ✓ CHEMSET® ES 8203 Hardener
- ✓ Silver plated 18 x 13mm oval link bracelet
- ✓ Digital Scales accurate to 0.1g
- ✓ Mixing Cups
- ✓ Mixing Sticks
- ✓ Cocktail Sticks
- ✓ Cooks Torch
- ✓ Fine artist's paintbrush
- ✓ Blue Tack
- ✓ Paper Kitchen Towel



STEP 1

Place a mixing cup on the scales and turn them on to zero. The cold enamels must be mixed accurately – two parts enamel colour to one part hardener. Use a cocktail stick to apply a couple of dots of turquoise colour paste to the cup. Pour in 1.0g of resin. Stir the resin gently with the cocktail stick to blend in the colour paste. Check the weight of the coloured resin in the cup and pour in half the weight of hardener, for example if the coloured resin weighs 1.0g pour in 0.5g of hardener. Mix the resin and hardener together with a mixing stick.

STEP 2

Rest the bracelet on a flat surface supporting it with Blue Tack if necessary. Apply the resin mixture to the bracelet blanks, spreading it up to the edges with the mixing stick. If there are air bubbles in the resin, pass the flame from a cook's torch lightly over the top and the bubbles will burst. Set the bracelet aside for 24 hours.

STEP 3

Place another mixing cup on the scales and turn them on to zero. Apply a dot of yellow colour paste to the cup. Pour in 0.2g of the resin. Stir the resin to blend in the colour. Pour in hardener weighing half the weight of the coloured resin. Mix the resin and hardener together with a mixing stick. Set the mixture aside for 20 minutes to start to harden.

STEP 4

Apply a dot of the yellow resin to the centre of each bracelet blank with a cocktail stick. You can wipe away the yellow resin with a piece of kitchen towel if you are not happy with the positioning of the dots. Set aside for 24 hours.

STEP 5

Follow step 3 to make up a cup of white resin. After 20 minutes use a fine artist's paintbrush to paint 4 petals equally spaced around each yellow dot. Paint 2 more petals between each of the first four. Remember that you can wipe away the petals with a piece of kitchen towel if you are not happy with them. Repeat on each bracelet blank then leave to harden for 24 hours.