

July: Ruby

With fabulous findings, you can whip up this summer sparkler in no time. Clever vine-style bails make quick work of attaching brilliant ruby crystals — no need to make tons of wire wraps! String the crystals on a premade snake-chain bracelet with mixed metal spacers and bead caps for added dimension. And don't forget the "love" charm for a personal touch. Mwah! – *Fernando Dasilva*



1 bracelet • Attach a pinch bail and a briolette.



2 Open a jump ring (Basics). Attach the loop of the bail and close the jump ring. Make 12 to 15 briolette units. Attach a jump ring and the loop of a "love" charm. Attach a second jump ring.



3 Unscrew the end of a snake-chain bracelet. String a bead cap, a spacer, a bead cap, and a briolette unit. Repeat until you've covered the chain, leaving about 1/4 in. (6 mm) of chain uncovered.



4 String: bead cap, spacer, bead cap, "love" charm, bead cap. Reattach the end of the bracelet. *

Supplies

bracelet

- ◆ 12-15 15 mm crystal briolettes
- ◆ 35 mm "love" script charm
- ◆ 13-16 10-11 mm large-hole spacers
- ◆ 27-33 10-11 mm bead caps
- ◆ 12-15 8 mm vine pinch bails
- ◆ 7-8 1/2-in. (18-21.6 cm) snake-chain bracelet, 2 mm diameter
- ◆ 14-17 7-8 mm jump rings
- ◆ 2 pairs of pliers

"Love" charm and snake-chain bracelet from John Bead, johnbead.com. "Love" charm also available from Halstead Bead, Inc., halsteadbead.com. Spacers, bead caps, and bails from TierraCast, tierracast.com for retail information. Check your local bead store for supplies.