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## Resin Jewelry with Polymer Clay

### Art Kit Contents

8-9 metal jewelry bezels Jewelry Resin & Hardener Mica pigment colors 9 Necklace cords <i>Bonus Treasure Box!</i>	Clay fruit sticks packet 2 Sand packets Tweezers Adhesive rounds	Pliers Jump ring tool Assorted jump rings Mixing cups/sticks Apron & gloves
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### You will need

- A butter knife (or a sharper knife with adult supervision)
- Tsp & ½ tsp measuring spoons (note: 3 teaspoons = 1 ounce)
- Flat surface with silicone or disposable plastic covering. Use a level (download level app if necessary) to ensure the surface is flat.
- A mask and good ventilation are always recommended with resin.

### IMPORTANT INFO TO KNOW IN ADVANCE

- Failure to mix equal parts resin and hardener, or not mixing long enough will result in a failed or sticky project. *FYI Sticky pendants suck!*
- This resin sets up quickly. Touch in 30 minutes, demold in 1½ -2 hours.
- Layer elements once the previous layer is sticky or dry to the touch.
- Add small amounts of mica to achieve beautiful transparent colors.

**Prepare your supplies in advance. This resin has a very short work time of about 10-15 minutes. Prepare elements in advance for best results.**

- Peel off adhesive backing and secure 2 bezels to each round. Press firmly onto level surface.
- Cut clay from the side as shown, group as desired.
- Open the mica powder bags. Add a small amount of mica for a transparent color. You can layer more for a multidimensional piece.
- If desired, add mica pigments to cups in advance.
- Have stir sticks ready
- If using flower buds, select them in advance and set near the workstation.
- If using sand, open the bags so they are not in danger of spilling.



### Part 1 – Prepare resin & hardener for jewelry

- Place sealed bag w/resin/hardener bottles in cup of hot tap water for 10 minutes before mixing (do not heat or put in microwave).
- When bottles are warmed, add ½ teaspoon of HARDENER to the center of the mixing cup. Scrape off any remaining hardener and add to the center of the cup. Clean spoon immediately.
- Add ½ teaspoon of warmed RESIN to the center of the mixing cup, on top of the hardener. Scrape off any remaining resin and add to the center of the cup. The liquid will appear cloudy.
- Using stir stick, mix resin and hardener until it is no longer cloudy. Stir, do not whip. Continue stirring, scraping the sides as you mix. This should take about 2-3 minutes of constant and vigorous stirring.

### Part 2 – Working with the media

- Use tweezers to arrange fruit.
- If using the sand, add very small amounts to premixed resin & hardener. Use white sand for dimensional clouds or waves, use brown for the beach, or alternate rows for a unique design.



### Part 3 – Let it rest. Rinse & repeat

- Let resin set up for at least 1 hr.
- Repeat above steps to fill each mold, as desired.

### Part 4 – Put the necklaces together

Place jump ring tool loosely on finger (as shown), open with pliers, add a jump ring, attach to your necklace cord, then tighten jump ring with pliers.



**ENJOY!**