



The Bead Hold

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HOW TO: Make a Glass Tile Pendant

Glass tiles can be made into a pendant, ring, brooch or used on a card, scrapbook page, wooden letter or be a component used with other beads. They are fun, versatile and unique.

You will need . . .

- A glass tile, size of your choice
- A feature picture to go under your glass tile
- Diamond Glaze and strong glue e.g. Araldite
- A glue on bail plate
- A pair of sharp scissors
- A piece of plastic/glass or similar to work on e.g. an ice cream container lid, a glass chopping board (bead mats/paper will get stuck!)
- A drying space out of the way of small hands
- A dry cloth and a damp cloth.

Feature Pictures Can Be

- scrapbooking paper
- LASER PRINTED photo or similar
- fabric will work too
- any laser printed picture



Pendant Instructions

1. Take your feature picture. If it is not a pre-prepared cameo, take your tile and place it on the picture, making sure you have the right part. Draw around the edges of the tile with a pencil.
2. With a sharp pair of scissors, carefully cut around the inside of the marked edges. Check that the size is right for your tile. Carefully keep trimming until there is nothing sticking out the edges of the tile.
3. Place the picture on your work surface, face up. Buff your tile with a soft cloth (especially the underside) so no smudges/fingerprints show.
4. Take the Diamond Glaze. Gently squeeze a few drops out onto the middle of the picture. Smooth the glaze over the picture with the nozzle, being careful to push any bubbles out and away. You don't need much glaze - just enough for a thin layer to cover the picture. Put the tile on top of the picture, push down a little and wriggle if needed to get any little air bubbles out. Wipe any excess glaze off the glass tile with a damp paper towel/cloth.
5. Flip over and coat the back with a layer of Diamond Glaze as well. Leave to dry.
6. Glue a pendant bail plate to the top centre of the pendant back with Araldite or similar strong glue and leave to dry. You may want to back the pendant with a velour paper. OR glue to a ring base OR glue to a brooch back OR use with other beads.



TIP: Use your diamond glaze to stick your tile straight to a card or embellished letter.

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