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## Polymer Clay Statement Necklace

Use Premo! Polymer clay to create a statement necklace. We have gone for steampunk style cogs, but you can easily adapt this to create flowers, leaves or geometric shapes!



## Materials Used:

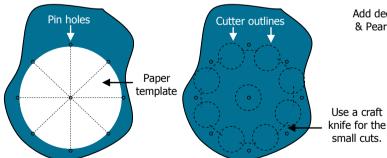
- 1 block x Premo! Sculpey accents Bronze
- 1 block x Premo! Sculpey accents Peacock Pearl 2 x medium trigger clasps
- 2 x fishhooks
- 20 x eyepins
- 42 x 6mm jump rings

## Tools used:

Range of cutters, rolling pin & rolling guides, tissue blade or craft knife, a pin , chain & round nose pliers. A pasta machine is helpful for conditioning.

Premo! Comes in lots of wonderful colours and finishes including metallic, glitter, neons, stone effects and pearl, so there is something for everyone.

- Cut off approximately 1/4 of the peacock pearl clay block, then condition the clay, either rolling it in your hands or 1. using a pasta machine. Roll the clay out until it is approximately 3mm thick. You can do this using rolling guides, or even stacks of playing cards.
- 2. The cog shapes have been made using approximate measurements from a basic template; cut a circle out of paper, fold it in half, then in half again & again - so you have 8 segments. Lay the paper circle over the rolled out clay & mark the centre of the circle & the edges of the segments with a pin, through to the clay, providing you with a guide to make your cog shape.
- 3. Use small cutters or a craft knife to create the edges. I've used a small round cutter and the corner of a square cutter to make the cog shapes above.



Add decoration to the cogs, I used the Etch & Pearl tool and a pin to create this effect.



You can also use the end of a pen or knitting needle to create decorative patterns. Use the textured pattern you find on some plastic packaging (like posh chocolates!) to make interesting imprints.

- 4. Carry on making cogs in peacock pearl & the bronze clay, changing the size slightly and using different cutters for the edges, you can also cut a shape out of paper, lay it over your clay and then use a craft knife to carefully cut it out.
- 5. Before baking your polymer clay cogs make small holes to fit jump rings through (a spare eyepin is good for this). Make extra beads or connectors to help finish your necklace. Bake all the polymer clay pieces; following the packets instructions (130°C for 30mins). Once your pieces have cooled you can link them all together using eyepins & jump rings.





Why not make a few more additional pieces to make a matching bracelet & earrings too.

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