

Serenity Blossoms

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With strands of twisted ribbons captured in glass and color inspired by Swarovski's padparadscha crystal, Thai blossoms float about serenely, welcoming the coming of spring.

MATERIALS

18 padparadscha/yellow 6×10mm lampworked borosilicate (boro) beads
4 padparadscha 17×19mm lampworked leaves
100 sterling silver 4mm daisy spacers
258 Thai silver 3×5mm rondelles
2 Thai silver 5mm 3-sided beads
12 Thai silver 7×25mm leaf charms
2 Thai silver 15mm flower charms
2 Thai silver 19mm flower charms
2 Thai silver 20mm flower charms
1 Thai silver 40mm flower pendant
35mm sterling silver toggle clasp
2 sterling silver 2×3mm twisted crimp tubes
23" of .014 beading wire

TOOLS

Wire cutters
Flat-nose pliers

FINISHED SIZE: 19"

Tip

This necklace is worn with the padparadscha leaves floating on top of the Thai silver leaves. The added silver background pronounces the padparadscha color when the necklace is worn and the mix of borosilicate beads makes this piece glow in the sunlight.



Step 1: Use the wire to string 1 crimp tube, one 3-sided bead, and one half of the clasp. Pass back through the 3-sided bead and the tube; crimp.

Step 2: String 1 spacer and 1 rondelle 13 times. String 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, one 15mm flower, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 silver leaf, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 glass leaf, 1 spacer, 1 silver leaf, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 silver leaf, 1 spacer, one 19mm flower, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 silver leaf, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 glass leaf, 1 spacer, 1 silver leaf, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, one 20mm flower, 1 spacer, 1 silver leaf, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 ron-

delle, 1 spacer, 1 boro, 1 spacer, 1 rondelle, and 1 spacer.

Step 3: String the 40mm flower. Repeat Step 2, reversing the stringing sequence. String 1 crimp tube, one 3-sided bead, and the other half of the clasp. Pass back through the 3-sided bead and the tube; crimp. ◉

RESOURCES: Check your local bead shop for these materials or contact: Lampworked beads: Lisa Kan Designs, www.lisakan.com. Clasp: Sadco, (213) 622-6644. Thai silver and all other silver components: You and Me Findings, www.youandmesilver.com. Twisted crimp tubes: The San Gabriel Bead Company, www.beadcompany.com.