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*DROP WIRE WRAPPING WITH TURQUOISE*





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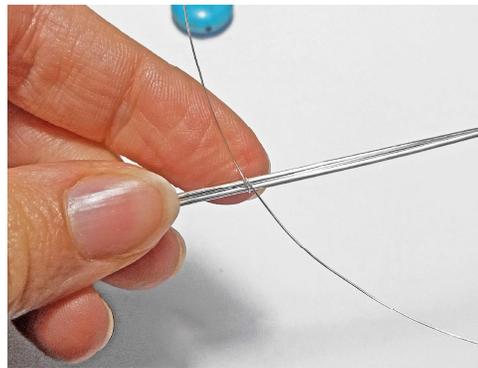
Beautiful drop to be made with wire wrapping technique, very worked and very effective with a flat turquoise stone embedded. With this tutorial it will be possible to create a step by step process clearly and concisely with the help of many pictures.

## MATERIALS AND TOOLS:

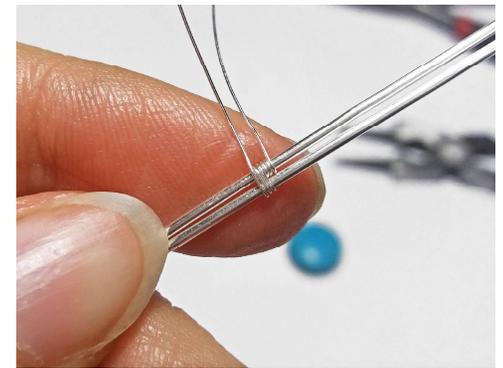
- Basic drawing
- 18 gauge metal wire (about 25,2 inch)
- 28 gauge metal wire (enough to decorate and join the parts)
- 1 pcs 16 mm flat Turquoise stone
- Conical tips pliers
- Curved tips pliers
- Flat-cut cutter (wire cutter)
- Flat hammer
- Mini anvil or steel block



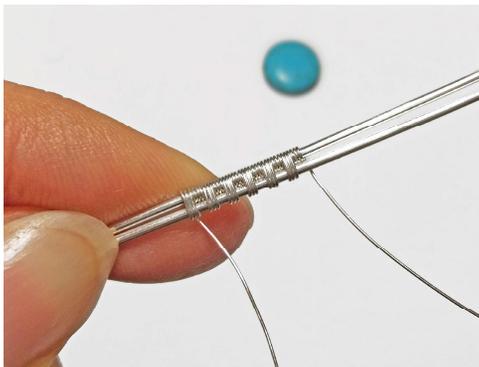
1 Print the drawing you find at the end of this tutorial.



2 Take two 12.6 inch (32 cm) pieces of 18 gauge wire and join them together by wrapping them three times with 28 gauge wire.



3 Wrap the 28 gauge wire three more times on the upper thread only.

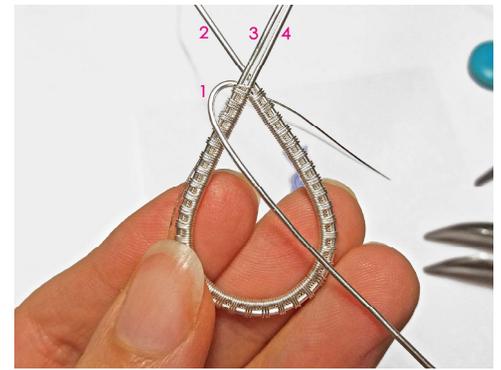


4 Continue alternately to wrap the thread three times each, as in the picture.



5 Continue to fill a portion of the structure long enough to create the initial drop. Help yourself with the design.

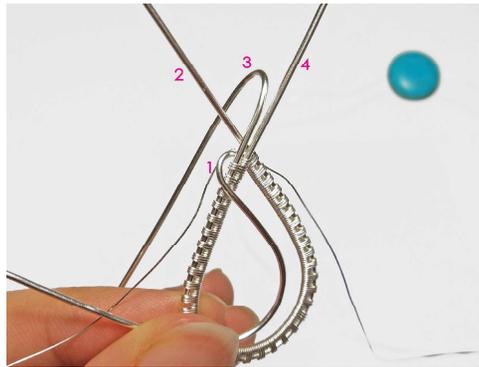




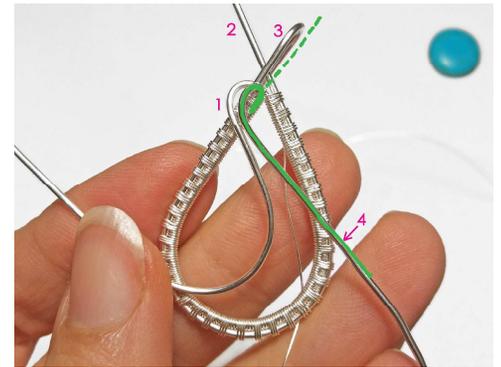
**6** Overlap the two ends of the structure on top of the drop without cutting the 28 gauge wire used to wrap it. Fold the first thread on the left (1) as in the picture.



**7** Give it an "S" shape.



**8** Fold what has now become the central thread (3) backwards as in the pictures.



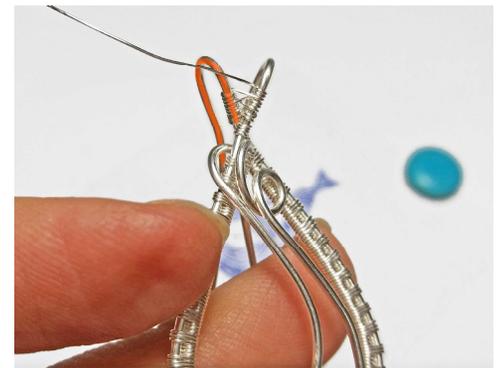
**9** Fold the first wire on the right (4) forward, highlighted in green, and press it a little to the left as in the picture.



**10** Create a decorative eyelet and continue downwards as shown in the picture.

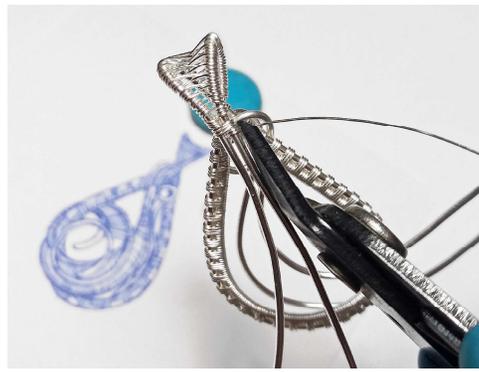


**11** Fold back the last remaining wire, highlighted in orange, and create the structure into which the chain will pass. With the 28 gauge wire (the one left hanging in step 6), start to alternately coat the newly created structure by wrapping three times and passing on the opposite side.





**12** Continue to wrap the thread alternately until you reach the back.



**13** Close by wrapping the two main wires together, with the 28 gauge wire, and cut.



**14** With a new 28 gauge wire (enough to decorate), wrap the first curl on the left from the front side.



**15** Decorate the drop as shown in the picture, wrapping the 28 gauge wire three times to the left and three times to the right on the two front wires that form an "S".



**16** Continue to the bottom keeping the two central wires wider, as shown in the picture.



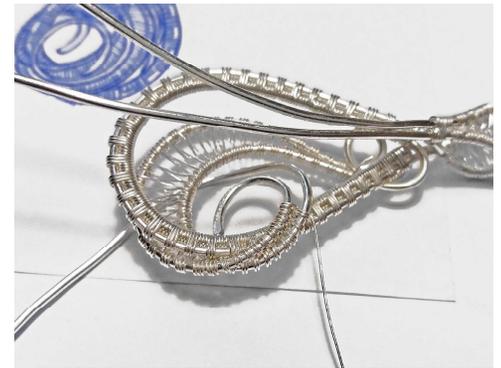
**17** Bring back the two ends of the central wires, creating circles, pass them inside the structure and let them out at the front. Try to round it as possible.



**18** Cut the thread of the inner curl.



**19** Move the curl from the structure and flatten it by beating it.



**20** Resume wrapping the 28 gauge wire on the two main threads on the side of the structure, continue to wrap on the back too.



**21** Continue to decorate the central wires even in the part that comes out on the front as in the picture.

**22** Move the curls from the structure and flatten it by beating the outermost one.



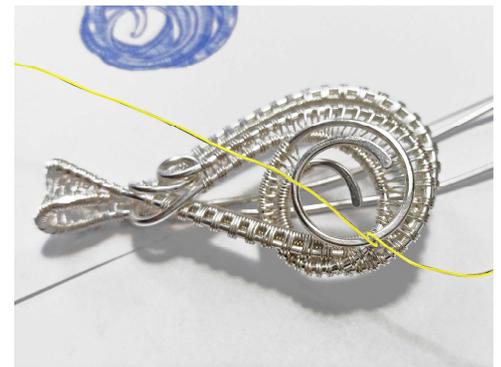
**23** Create a larger eyelet on the front side with the outermost wire just beaten.



**24** Cut the thread at the point shown in the picture.

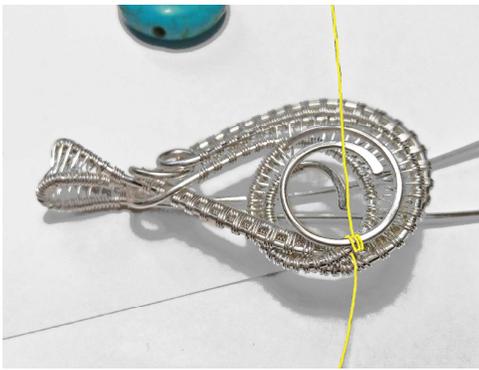


**25** Move the curl from the structure and flatten it by beating it.



**26** Cut the 28 gauge wire used to decorate.

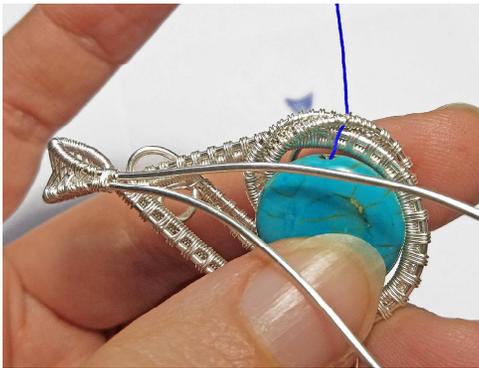
**27** Ensure the largest curl to the structure by inserting about 1.2 inches of a new 28 gauge wire (highlighted in yellow) in a chink in the structure itself and wrap it three times.



**28** Cut the excess.



**29** Turn the pendant and insert the flat turquoise stone using about 2,8-3,2 inch 28 gauge wire (7-8 cm).



**30** Pass the 28 gauge wire coming out from the stone through the outer structure. Wrap it two or three times to ensure it.



**31** Fold the two central wires (A and B) to the left rounding them as in the picture.



**32** With the first thread, highlighted in pink, follow the shape of the stone. With the 28 gauge wire coming out from the stone, highlighted in blue, fix it to the pink thread that turn around it.

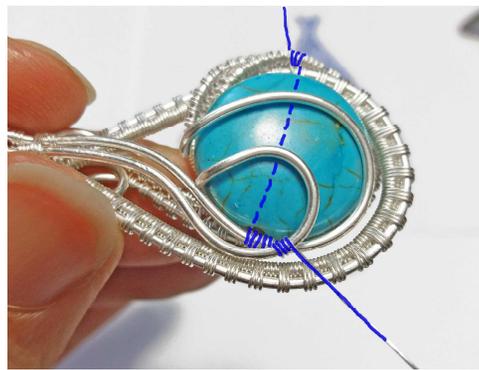


**33** Shape the second thread, highlighted in green, on the stone by passing over the first thread, as in the picture.



**34** Cut both threads and bend their two ends inside in order to fix the stone well.





**35** With the same 28 gauge wire passing through the stone, join the two wires of the structure together as highlighted in blue in the picture.

**36** Cut the excess thread.



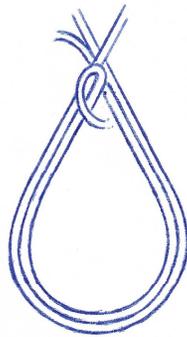
**37** Back side.

**38** Front side.



# Full-size drawing, ready to print.

Total dimensions of the Drop approximately  
1,77 inch (4.5 cm) height x 0,98 inch (2.5 cm) width.



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With love  
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