

## Spiral Wire Button Ring

(...because I found buttons easier to find than rondell beads that were used in these instructions)

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### Materials:

12" 18 gauge soft wire

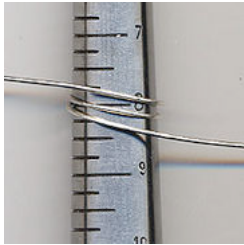
1/2" button with two holes

Wire cutter

Needle nose pliers

Ring mandrel or dowel in desired ring size (optional)

### Instructions:

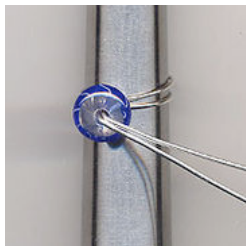


Place center of wire against your form (a ring mandrel or dowel) and wrap twice around leaving the tails long.

Bend the tails up sharply.



Place the button onto both wire ends and slide down to the base of the ring.



Bend the wires to a right angle directly on the top of the button.

Spiral the wires on top of the button. This can be a bit tricky. Start by making a small circle with one of the wires where it emerges from the button, then push the other wire behind and against it, being careful not to overlap the wires. If you see the spiral start to puff up, use a small block of wood and press gently but firmly on the spiral to push it against the button as you turn the wires. Continue spiraling until the desired size is achieved. Be sure to leave a tail of about 2" on each wire to complete.



Bring the tail wires down to the ring shank on opposite sides of the button and wrap around the base of the ring to secure. Trim and tuck the wire ends down and gently sand any sharp areas with a nail file.

Enjoy your ring!