

## Found Object Tile Necklace

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### Materials:

Wood Tile

Drill

Punch to make hole through paper

Glue

Scraps of paper: book pages and scrapbooking

Word or phrase for back of necklace

Assorted found objects and beads

Paint

Ranger Distress Inks

Fine Sharpie Permanent Marker

Strong Bonding Glue: I suggest E6000

Copper wire

Jewelry Pliers: Flat nose, round, and flush cutters

Sealer

Leather Cord

Photos are shown on the webpage.

### Instructions:

1. Get a small wooded tile to use as your base. Keep an eye open at thrift stores- they offer great supplies for artwork. The tiles we used were from a perpetual calendar that I paid very little for and got 31 + wooden tiles.
2. Drill a hole in the top center of your tile.
3. Look though some scraps of scrapbooking paper or wrapping paper to find something you like that can be used for the front of your pendant.
4. Cut to size for the front of wooden tile.

5. Distress your front paper using Rangers distress ink. Suggested Ink Colors: Orange Marmalade or Vintage Photo for the surface of your paper, Black Soot for the edges of the papers. If you have StazON black ink, you can use that for the paper edges instead of the distress inks. Distress inks need to be heat set with a hair drier or craft heating tool or left to dry so they don't smudge.
6. Glue you front paper to the tile. Be sure to smooth down so there are no bumps.
7. After the glue has set, use a punch or your drill to make a hole through the paper where you drilled.
8. Rip a page from an old book. Cut a section of that page to cover the back of the tile. Be sure to select a section of page that has full lines of print rather than gaps from sentence or paragraph breaks.
9. Cut to size and distress as you did your front piece of paper.
10. Glue to the back of the wooden tile. After the glue has set, going though the front where you already made a hole, punch another hole through to the back side.
11. Gather found objects that may be interesting to put on your necklace- old jewelry pieces, small charms, hardware, old coins, game pieces are just a few of the possibilities.
12. Play around, lay out a few designs until you come up with something your like- you may need to alter the shape of something- for example if you find an earring that you like that would look great- you will need to clip the post. An old coin or metal button might need distressing or flattening with a hammer.
13. If you want to alter the color of your selected objects, apply paint to the found object(s). I suggest enamel or metallic paints. Alcohol inks or dyes are other options to alter color, especially if the object is metal.
14. Using strong glue, attach your design to the front of the tile. E6000 is a strong bonding glue. Do not use hot glue- it is not durable for long term use.
15. Pick a paint color that compliments your front scrap paper and paint along the edges of your tile.
16. Select a word or phrase you want to attach to the back. You can cut something out of a book or print up your own word(s).
17. Distress the surface and edges of your word. Heat set the distress ink. Glue word to the back of your pendant. OPTIONAL: Using a fine point black sharpie permanent marker, outline the word.
18. Let your pendant sit to allow the glues to dry before adding the copper bail.
19. Cut an 8 inch length of copper wire- select a gauge that will fit easily 3 times through the drilled hole.
20. Thread the copper wire through the hole, leave about 3 inches at one end, use the longer length to thread through the hole so you have 3 wraps of wire showing at the front of the pendant. Be sure to pull tightly so you have no large gaps.

21. Press the 3 inch length and wrapping length of wire together over the center top edge.  
Wrap the shorter length around the two wires several times, then snip with wire cutters.  
File if needed to smooth the edge.
22. Add any beads you want to the remaining wire.
23. Then bend that wire at a 90 degree angle.
24. Using round nose pliers or some similar round object (pen, knitting needle, dowel) form a loop, then wrap remaining wire around the bottom of the loop and snip with flush cutters.  
File if needed to smooth the edge.
25. Apply a sealer to your pendant- use a polyacrylic sealer such as Varathan or use something like Glossy Accents. Varathan can be found at Home Depot or Lowes, Glossy Accents at the craft store.
26. Once your sealer has dried thread your pendant through your leather cord.
27. Tie two adjustable sliding knots. Here is a link to show you how to make the knot in case you forgot <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/59813501276734365/>