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In this tutorial, I will teach you how to make your own clasp for a leather cord. If you need help with finding supplies or understanding this tutorial, feel free to write me anytime at danagonia@hotmail.com

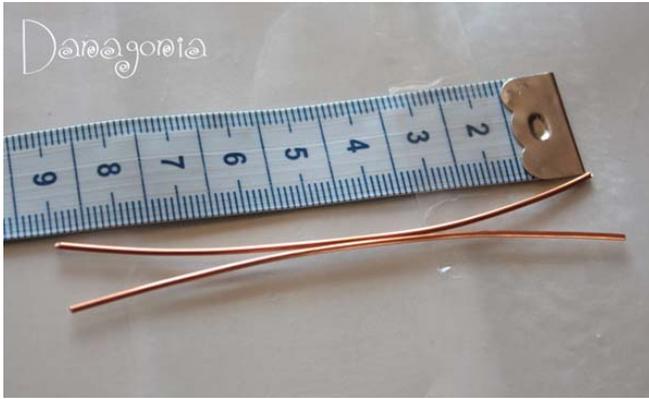
Materials:

- 6.6" of 20ga (You could use 22ga or 18ga)
- 2mm Leather cord (Could be as low as 1mm)

Tools:

- Round nose pliers
- Wire cutters
- Bent nose pliers (Or flat nose pliers)
- Hammer
- Anvil (Or other hard flat material)
- Metal file

Step 1: Start by cutting 2 pieces of 3.3" wire A



File down the ends.

The ends should be rounded, so they won't poke you!

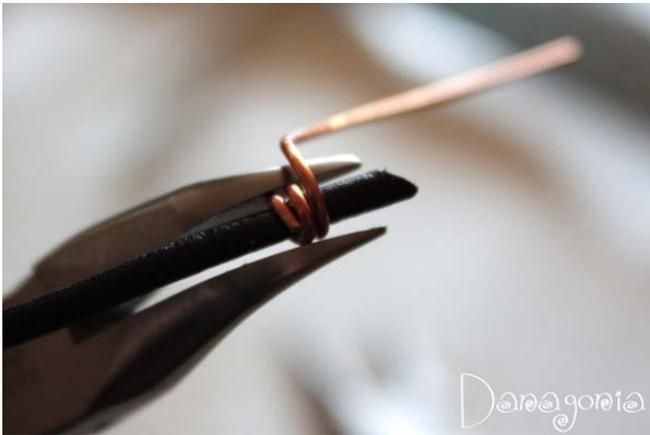


Step 2: Use your round nose pliers to create a spiral; it should consist of at least 2 or 3 loops.





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Step 3: Put one end of your leather cord, into the middle of the spiral.



Step 4: Use your flat nose pliers to squeeze the spiral tight around the leather cord. Make sure the cord isn't able to move.



Step 5: Now add more loops around the cord.



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Step 6: Now when you reach the end of your cord, form a big loop, and make sure you have a little bit of wire left, to make the last small loop. If you see any excess cord in the end, just cut it off.



Step 7: Make a very small loop in the end of the big loop.



Step 8: Make the loop go around the end of the first big loop. Squeeze it in tightly, so nothing can escape the loop.

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Step 9: Hammer the big loop flat on your anvil.



Step 10: Now repeat step 1-5 in the other end of the leather cord. We are now making the hook.



Step 11: Instead of bending the small loop around the big loop. Make the small loop bend the opposite way.





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Step 12: Bring the small loop towards the cord end, forming a S-shape



Step 13: Just hammer the hook flat on your anvil, and you done...

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