

Panel Bracelet Instructions

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- 1. Use a rolling mill to texture a 16g piece of copper with RMP393. Do not anneal after texturing.
- 2.Use PD1837 to cut a blank from the textured copper. Use a saw, files, and abrasives to remove the tab and smooth the edges of the blank.
- 3. Use a drill bit to drill a hole near one end of the blank. Saw out a rectangle approx. 1/4" wide by 1/8" tall. File and sand the inner edges of the rectangle.
- 4. Use the large synclastic bracelet former in the hydraulic press or a mallet and bracelet mandrel to form the panel into a curve that roughly matches the curve of the top of your wrist.
- 5. Measure the diameter of the tubing or rod for the catch. Drill a hole at the opposite end of the panel the same diameter. The tubing/rod should be a tight fit in the hole. Refine the edges of the hole.
- 6. Melt a blob of sterling silver, and press it solid into impression die BR-RT314. Trim the flange and finish as desired. This will become the catch.
- 7. Use hard solder to solder one end of the tubing/rod onto the back of the silver stamping. Pickle and clean the assembly.
- 8. Insert the tubing/rod into the hole in the panel. Adjust the tubing/rod so the silver stamping is elevated above the surface an amount equal or slightly more than the diameter of the leather cord.
- 9. Use medium solder to solder the tubing/rod to the panel from the underside. Pickle, then file the underside of the tubing flush with the panel and finish as desired.
- 10. Fold the leather cord in half, and tie an overhand knot near the center. The loop must be large enough to fit over the catch.
- 11. Insert both ends of the leather through the rectangle hole on the opposite side of the panel. Adjust the length until it fits your wrist with a little bit of slack.
- 12. Fold the ends over, and use 20g wire to make a tight wrapped section to secure the ends in place. Trim the ends.











Tools & Materials

- Panel Bracelet Bundle: PD1837, RMP393, BR-RT314
- 16g copper sheet
- Scrap sterling silver
- Silver, copper, or brass tubing or rod: ~1/8" diameter, ~1/2" long
- Silver, copper, or brass round wire: 20g, ~10" long
- Round leather cord: ~20"
- Potter USA hydraulic press
- Bracelet former kit w/large synclastic former or mallet and bracelet mandrel
- Jeweler's saw w/saw blades (any size)
- Soldering, pickling, and finishing materials
- General bench tools (files, drill bits, abrasives, etc.)