

# **Jewelry Box**

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## **Materials**

- Thin cardboard
- Material (like velvet)
- Tacky glue
- Optionally--cord, fine ribbon, etc. for trim
- Small beads, etc. for jewelry

## **Instructions**

1. Choose the size and shape of jewelry box. Cut three pieces of the shape out of the thin cardboard. These will form the base and lid.
2. Cover the first piece with your fabric. Cover both sides unless you are glueing it down. This will form the base of the box.
3. Place your jewelry on the base before you add the sides. Glue small beads in the shape of a necklace to the base. You can get some very fine beads for this. Fine metallic cord can be used to make a fine chain.
4. You will use the other two shaped pieces to make the lid. Cover both lid pieces on the outside. Glue the two lid pieces together, back to back.
5. Measure around the outside of one of the pieces. Cut a strip of cardboard just a little longer than that measurement, and roughly 1/4 inch wide. Adjust the width measurement to the appropriate size for the box you are making.
6. Cover this strip with the same fabric. Put a thin layer of glue on the cardboard to hold it down. Turn the raw edges of fabric down and glue to the opposite side. Finish the long piece on the inside with silk ribbon.
7. Put glue around the edge of your bottom piece and glue the side piece on.
8. If you like, finish the edges with metallic cord or other trim.
9. Glue the lid to the box at whatever angle you like, leaving it open to display the jewelry.
10. If you like, glue a strip of silk ribbon over the edge on the inside.
11. Trim the edge of the lid if you like.

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