

## Snake Chain – Basic Directions

a.k.a. Columbus Chain, Half Persian 4-1 Chain

Aspect ratio: 4.9

Class exercise ring size:

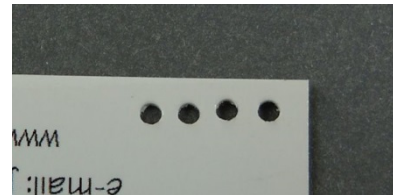
- 16 gauge (1.29mm) 0.250" (6.4mm)

Note: In the Snake Chain blue rings never go through blue rings, and plain rings never go through plain rings.

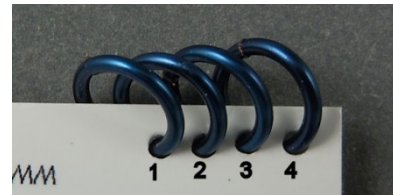
1. “Eye” notation: Adding a ring “through the eye” means that the new ring will go through the two rings at point “A”. “Around the eye” means that the new ring will go through both of the rings at points “B” and “B”. “Outside the eye” means that the new ring will go through one of the rings at point “B”, which ring will be covered in the directions.



2. Punch 4 small holes about 4mm apart along the upper right edge of a small piece of card stock.



3. Open 4 blue jump rings, insert each of them through one of the four punched holes, and close them. Arrange the four blue rings as shown, in an overlapping row leaning to the right.



Close all the rest of the blue jump rings.

4. Open a plain jump ring, insert it from the back “through the eye” formed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> blue rings, and then insert it from the front “through the eye” formed by the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> blue rings. Close the ring.



5. Open a plain jump ring, add one of the closed blue rings to it, insert it from the back “outside the eye” through the 4<sup>th</sup> blue ring, and then insert it from the front “through the eye” formed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> blue rings. Close the ring.



6. Open a plain jump ring, add one of the closed blue rings to it, insert it from the back “outside the eye” through the “last” blue ring, and then insert it from the front “through the eye” formed by the “last -1” and “last -2” blue rings. Close the ring.



7. Repeat the previous step until the desired length is reached.



To even the ends of the chain for attaching a clasp, remove the first blue ring at the start of the chain, and the last blue ring at the other end of the chain.