Autism spectrum disorders (ASD) are social communication disorders often categorized by impaired social interaction. Many individuals with ASD difficulties with social relationships, including building and maintaining friendships which may lead to long-term struggles including academic and occupational underachievement, and mood and anxiety problems later in development. Research examining friendships in adolescents with ASD, especially the interpretation of friendship from the point of view of the individual with ASD, is needed in order to advance our understanding of the concept, role and importance of friendship within this population of individuals. The current study aims to present research related to the perception of friendship that adolescents with ASD have, as well as how these perceptions relate to the existing research on typically developing adolescents’ view of friendship in order to better understand and explain friendship in this population.