

Twelve Days of Christmas Earrings



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Christmas is that magical time of the year when there's no such thing as too much glitter and sparkle. But there's no need to stop at decorating the tree with tinsel and ornaments - why not create some shimmering ornaments for your ears too! After all, nothing says "*I love Christmas*" more than a pair of sparkling festive earrings and with this collection of twelve unique pairs of earrings, you'll spread Christmas cheer wherever you go.



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Jewellery-Making Basics:

If you're new to jewellery-making, you'll find it helpful to visit the links below to learn the basic techniques needed to complete these designs. Each one is a step by step tutorial to the techniques used in these designs.

- [Opening and closing jump rings](#)
- [Turning Simple Loops](#)
- [Making Wrapped Loops](#)
- [How to crimp neatly and securely](#)

Beads and Findings:

You'll find links to many of the supplies within the materials list for each design but from time to time, you'll find that the listed supplier is out of stock or that the item is no longer available. If a link no longer works, the item you are looking for may have been moved to a different page on their website so try the search bar on their home page to see if you can locate it that way. If you still can't find the item you're looking for, try hunting it down via an image search on Google. Some other places you might find helpful are Amazon and Etsy. Please note that I am not endorsing or recommending any of the sources that I have listed, but rather suggesting them as a place where you might source the supplies you need.

Happy jewellery-making!

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Day 1 - Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star Earrings

Day 1's earrings are reminiscent of a cascade of twinkling stars in the night sky.



Day 1 - Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Firstly, gather all the materials you need:



- 8 6mm faceted AB crystal rounds
- 10 6mm Silver Star Beads
- 2 12x5mm AB crystal teardrops
- 10 silver ball head pins
- 8 silver eye pins
- silver earring wires

Tools: round nose pliers, chain nose pliers, flush cutters



Begin by trimming the eight eye pins to 30mm (1 3/16") with the flush cutters.



String a faceted round on each one and then bend approximately 1cm (3/8") from the cut end of each eye pin.

Day 1 - Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star



Turn a simple loop on one eye pin.



Turn a simple loop on a second eye pin and then open the loop and then hook it onto the stem of the first eye pin above the bead. Close the loop.



Repeat with two more eye pins making sure you hook the eye loop of each one above the bead of the last eye pin you added. You should have a zig-zag drop of four beaded stems. Repeat with the remaining eye pins so you have two beaded drops.

Day 1 - Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star



String eight of the stars onto ball head pins and turn a simple loop on each. Set two of these aside.



String a tear drop and a star on the two remaining head pins.



Grip the head pin with chain nose pliers and bend it at a 90° angle above the pliers so that you create a neck for a wrapped loop.

Day 1 - Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star



Form the loop at the top of the neck by wrapping the head pin around the jaws of the round nose pliers and then wrap the wire around the neck neatly. Trim away excess wire.



Attach a star to the bottom of each eye pin by opening the loop sideways (as you would open a jump ring) and hook the star component on. Close the loop securely.



Open the loop on the bottom eye pin and hook on the tear drop component.

Day 1 - Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star



Hook on one of the stars that you set aside earlier onto the earring wire.



Hook the eye loop of the top eye pin in each zig-zag onto the earring wire and then gently close the earring wire so the components are secure.

Complete the second earring.

Day 2 - Snowflakes and Blossoms

Snowflakes and Blossoms Earrings

Add a little wintery sparkle to your outfit with some crystal studded snowflakes and Swarovski crystal rondelles.



Day 2 - Snowflakes and Blossoms

Here's what you'll need to make the Snowflake and Blossom earrings:



- 2 crystal studded silver snowflake charms
- 2 10mm Night Blue Swarovski glass pearls
- 2 6mm silver crystal rondelles
- 2 Silver Plated 4 Petal Bead Caps
- 2 12mm silver star-shaped bead caps
- 7cm fine silver cable chain
- 2 silver ball head pins
- 2 4mm silver jump rings
- 2 interchangeable silver earring wires

Tools: round nose pliers, chain nose pliers, flush cutters



String the glass pearl, 4-petal bead cap, star shaped bead cap and rondelle onto a head pin.



Place the jaws of the chain nose pliers against the rondelle and bend the head pin at a 90° angle above the pliers so that you form a neck. Place the round nose pliers in the neck of the bend and form a loop.

Day 2 - Snowflakes and Blossoms



With the pliers still in the loop just formed, pull the wire across the front of the loop.



Then wrap the tail of the head pin around the neck, securing the bead and findings firmly.



Trim away the excess wire with flush cutters.

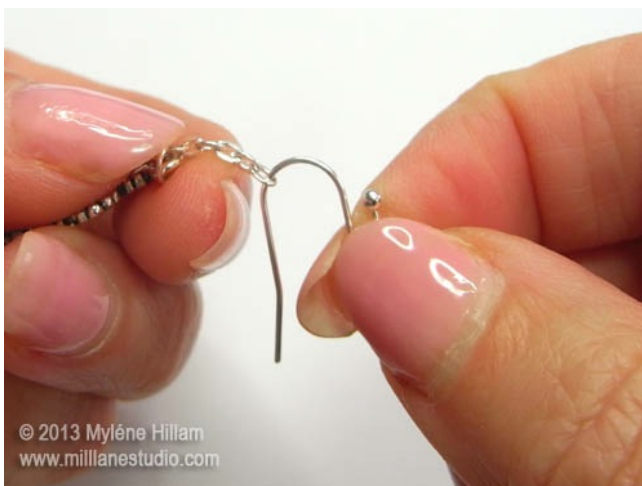
Day 2 - Snowflakes and Blossoms



Open the last link of the chain (as you would open a jump ring) and hook on the wrapped loop before closing it again.



Cut the chain in half and set one piece aside for the second earring. Attach the snowflake charm to the chain with a jump ring so that it sits just above the wrapped loop of the glass pearl component.



Insert the earring wire through the first link of the chain and then gently press the loop of the earring wire closed.

Make a second earring to match and you'll be set to sparkle through all your Christmas celebrations.

Day 3 - The Milky Way

Milky Way Earrings

On Day 3, be inspired by the Stars in the Night Sky from Away in a Manger.



Day 3 - The Milky Way

Here are the supplies you'll need:



- 2 red star beads
 - 4 11mm Textured Silver Star Beads
 - 10 6mm Silver Star Beads
 - 6 4mm milky white bicones
 - 22 silver ball head pins
 - 2 4mm silver jump rings (not shown in photo)
- 2 lengths each of fine silver chain cut as follows: 13mm (1/2"), 3cm (1 3/16") and 4.5cm (1 3/4")
- 2 silver interchangeable earring wires

Tools: round nose pliers, chain nose pliers, flush cutters



String all the beads on head pins. Turn simple loops on the small silver stars and milky white bicones.

Day 3 - The Milky Way



Create a wrapped loop on the red star and the two textured star beads. First, grip the head pin right above the point of the star and bend the wire at a 90° angle above the pliers.



Use round nose pliers to create a loop and then cross the wire over the neck and wrap it around 2 or 3 times.



Trim away the excess with flush cutters.

Day 3 - The Milky Way



Open the last link of the longest chain and hook on the red star.



Attach the small silver stars and the milky bicones along the length of the chain, distributing them evenly.



Open the end link of the two smaller chains and hook on the loops of the two textured silver stars.

Day 3 - The Milky Way



Open a jump ring and hook on each of the chains.



Hook the jump ring onto the earring wire and gently close the ball of the ear wire towards the wire to close the loop.

Put the second earring together with the remaining components.

Day 4 - Stylised Christmas Trees

Stylised Christmas Tree Earrings

What would Christmas be without a Christmas tree? This stylised tree uses chain and an asymmetrical triangle bead to create a modern version of the traditional tree.



Day 4 - Stylised Christmas Trees

Firstly, gather all the materials:



- 2 17x18mm green electroplated asymmetrical triangle glass beads
- 18 4mm Fern Green Swarovski bicones
- 4 3mm silver spacer beads
- 2 11mm Textured Silver Star Beads
- 14cm (5 1/2") Beadalon silver plated Figaro chain
- 6 41mm silver eye pins
- 2 silver interchangeable earring wires

Tools: round nose pliers, chain nose pliers, flush cutters



Open and eye pin, string a spacer bead, three bicone, an eye pin, three bicones and a spacer bead.

Day 4 - Stylised Christmas Trees



Turn a simple loop on the end. This is the base of the Christmas tree.



On the eye pin in the middle, string a bicone, the triangle bead (with the point facing to the top) and two more bicones.



Cut the chain into two equal pieces. Find the centre of one and thread that link onto the eye pin. Notice I cut my chain so that the link pattern is identical on each side of the tree.

Day 4 - Stylised Christmas Trees



Turn a simple loop just above the chain.



Open the last link on one side of the chain.



Hook it onto one of the eye loops of the Christmas tree base, trying not to get a twist in it. Repeat with the other end of the chain.

Day 4 - Stylised Christmas Trees



String the star bead on an eye pin and turn a simple loop. Open the eye pin loop at the top of the Christmas tree and hook on the star bead (the point of the star should be at the top). Thread the other loop of the star onto the earring wire and close it.

Make a second earring to match and you're all decked and out ready to wear your stylised Christmas Tree earrings.

Day 5 - Christmas Bonbons

Bonbon Earrings

Bonbons or crackers are traditional at the Christmas dinner table in Australia. In case you're not familiar with them, they look like an oversize foil-wrapped lolly. You and the person next to you each pull on opposite ends of the cracker until it "snaps" and the contents fly out everywhere. As silly as the contents are (a Dad joke or motto, paper crowns to wear and a small plastic trinket), it usually brings a good laugh to all around the table.



Day 5 - Christmas Bonbons

Here's what you'll need:



- 2 20x12mm red handblown hollow glass beads
- 4 4mm Light Siam Swarovski bicones
- 4 17mm gold filigree bead caps
- 4 7x10mm gold filigree basket bead caps
- 2 gold ball head pins
- 2 gold earring wires

Tools: round nose pliers, chain nose pliers, flat nose pliers, flush cutters



Grip the petals of the basket with the chain nose pliers and flare them outwards.



Here's a before and after to give you an idea of how much to flare them. Do this for all the basket bead caps.

Day 5 - Christmas Bonbons



String a bicone, a flared basket bead cap (from the inside), a filigree bead cap (from the outside) and a handblown bead.



Then string another filigree bead cap (from the inside), a flared basket bead cap (from the outside) and a bicone.



Grip the head pin right above the bicone with chain nose pliers and bend it at a 90° angle, as close to the bead as possible so that there is no play in the bonbon. Trim the end and turn a simple loop.

Day 5 - Christmas Bonbons



The loop against the bicone should be really snug.



Open the loop of the earring wire (as you would a jump ring) and hook on the bonbon. Close the loop securely.

Now make a second earring to match and admire your pretty bonbon earrings.

Day 6 - Candy Cane Swirls

Candy Cane Swirl Earrings

Anyone would think I have a sweet tooth. First it was bonbons and now it's Candy Canes! OK, so it's true..... I DO have a sweet tooth and I love peppermint candy canes!



Day 6 - Candy Cane Swirls

Here's what you'll need:



- Silver memory wire in ring size
- 2 Enamelled Candy Cane Charms
- 32 Christmas Red seed beads
- 32 pearl white seed beads
- 2 6x4mm red rondelles
- 6 4mm silver jump rings
- 2 silver eye pins
- 2 silver earring wires

Tools: memory wire shears, flush cutters, round nose pliers, flat nose pliers



Using the memory wire shears, cut 2 three-quarter rings from the coil. The gap between the cut ends is approximately 13mm (1/2").



Create an inward facing loop on one end of each coil. Start forming the loop around the left jaw (in the photo, my hand is facing the camera so it appears to be on the right hand jaw).

Day 6 - Candy Cane Swirls



Now, switch the partially formed loop to the right hand jaw. Again, my hand is facing the camera so the loop appears to be on the left hand jaw. Using the thumb of your free hand, push the wire around the jaw until the end of the wire meets the coil. This will help form a beautifully rounded loop and will also make sure the beads don't slip around the loop.



The two coils should look like this.



String the seed beads onto the two coils in pairs, alternating between red and white. Leave enough room to turn another coil (approximately 10-12mm (a little less than 1/2"))

Day 6 - Candy Cane Swirls



Turn an outward facing loop on this coil.
Repeat with the second coil.



String the rondelle onto an eye pin and
turn a simple loop.



Connect the two coils together in an "S"
shape with the eye loops of the rondelle.
You should have an outward facing loop
at the top and an inward facing loop at
the bottom of the "S".

Day 6 - Candy Cane Swirls



Pick up the bottom loop of the bottom coil and flip the rondelle over itself so that the top of the bottom coil is now sitting inside the curve of the top coil.



Connect the top loop of the top coil to the top loop of the bottom coil with a jump ring. You may need to flex the coil a little to hook it on.



Repeat with the bottom loops of the two coils, flexing the coil if you need to. It should look like this.

Day 6 - Candy Cane Swirls



Connect the candy cane to the bottom loop with a jump ring. Hook the earring wire through the top loop.

Now make a second earring to match.

Day 7 - Starry Ornaments

Starry Ornament Earrings

Today's earrings are quick and easy to make.



Day 7 - Starry Ornaments

Here's what you'll need:



- 2 14 mm round Red Miracle Beads
- 2 14mm silver bead cages
- 2 Silver 7x5mm Faceted Teardrops
- 2 11mm textured silver star beads
- 2 6mm Silver star beads
- 2 5mm Silver Star Beads
- 2 3mm silver spacer beads
- 2 silver long eye pins
- 2 silver ball head pins
- 2 silver earring wires

Tools: round nose pliers, flat nose pliers, chain nose pliers, flush cutters, needle tool (or other pointed object)



Open the centre of the bead cage and place the miracle bead inside.



Locate the bead hole and use the needle tool to align it with the hole in the bead cage.

Day 7 - Starry Ornaments



String the three star beads on the eye pin, bottoms first, in ascending order.



String a spacer bead, the caged bead, and another spacer bead.



Use flat nose pliers to bend the eye pin at a 90° angle as close to the spacer bead as you can.

Day 7 - Starry Ornaments



Trim the wire to 10mm (3/8") with flush cutters.



Then turn a simple loop.



String the tear drop on a head pin and grip it with flat nose pliers leaving a 2mm (1/16") gap above the tear drop so you don't chip it as you turn the loop.

Day 7 - Starry Ornaments



Trim the head pin to 10mm (3/8").



Turn a simple loop.



Open the loop of the head pin and attach it to the loop just below the stars. Hook the top loop of the eye pin above the caged bead onto the earring wire to complete the earring.

Make a second Starry Ornament earring to match.

Day 8 - Star of Bethlehem

Star of Bethlehem Earrings

When the Three Wise Men looked up in the night sky, it is said they saw a star - the Bethlehem Star - which guided them to where the new born King lay in the manger. And it is that star which is the inspiration for today's earrings called "The Star of Bethlehem".



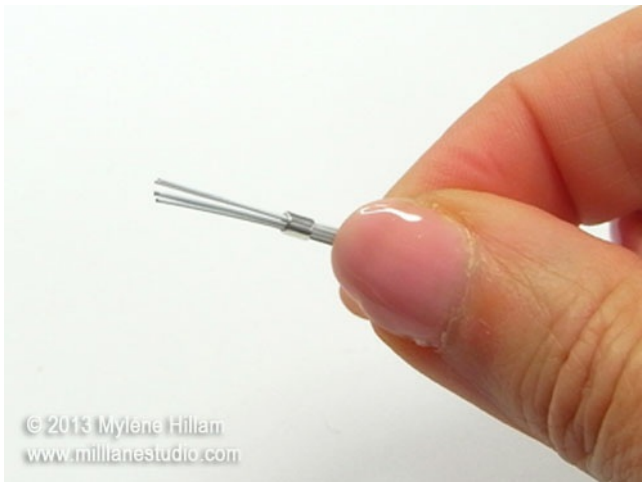
Day 8 - Star of Bethlehem

Here's what you'll need to make these earrings:



- 10 6x4mm faceted red oval beads
- 2 10mm frosted white star beads
- 10 pearl white seed beads
- 10 size #1 silver crimp tubes
- 2 size #4 silver crimp tubes
- white tiger tail (beading wire) - cut 2 of each of the following lengths: 5cm (2"), 6cm (2 3/8"), 7cm (2 3/4"), 8cm (3 1/8") and 9cm (3 1/2")
- 2 silver earring wires

Tools: flush cutters, Mighty Crimper tool (for #4 crimps), Micro Crimping tool (for #1 crimps), nylon jaw pliers (optional)



Gather one of each length of the beading wires in a bundle and place the #4 crimp tube on one end. Make sure all the wires curve in the same direction.

Day 8 - Star of Bethlehem



Form the wires into a loop and insert the ends back through the crimp. They should extend beyond the crimp by about 6mm (1/4"). Push the crimp tube up towards the end of the loop to make the loop smaller. It should be approximately 6mm (1/4").



Place the crimp into the notched hole of the Mighty Crimper and firmly press to secure all of the wires. It will now have a channel down the centre and a wing on either side. Remove the crimp and place it into the round hole at the top of the tool (with the channel facing sideways) and crimp it to compress the two wings together.



Trim away the excess wires close to the crimp so that you only have the five longer wires left.

Day 8 - Star of Bethlehem



String the star bead (point first) onto the five wires and slide it up to the crimp. At this point, you'll want to organise the five wires into graduating lengths. If one is curling the wrong way, you can run the wire through nylon jaw pliers until you get it to face in the direction you want it to.



String a red oval bead, a pearl seed bead and a #1 crimp onto the longest wire.



Crimp the crimp tube 5mm (1/4") from the end. Repeat on the other four wires.

Day 8 - Star of Bethlehem



Trim away the excess on each tail just below the crimp.

Thread the tiger tail loop onto the earring wire and then make a second earring to match. It's up to you whether you face the comet tail of the second earring in the same direction as the first or not.

Day 9 - Poinsettias

Poinsettia Earrings

I've always loved the showy red flowers of the poinsettia - their bright red bracts are so colourful in the cooler months but sadly, they don't flower at Christmas time here because we're in the middle of summer. Luckily, our local garden centres always have a good supply which the growers have managed to trick into flowering at this time of the year.



Day 9 - Poinsettias

Here's what you'll need:



- 36 6x4mm faceted red oval beads
- 36 [pearl white seed beads](#)
- 6 [4mm light topaz crystal bicones](#)
- 2 3-loop silver end connectors
- 6 4mm silver jump rings
- 9cm (3 1/2") 3x2m oval silver chain - my chain has a total of 42 links
- 1.5m (60") [28g non tarnish silver wire](#)
- 2 silver earring wires

Tools: round nose pliers, chain nose pliers, flush cutters, nylon jaw pliers (to straighten the wire if it becomes kinked - optional)



Cut the wire in half and then cut each half into three equal lengths. Set three pieces aside for the second earring. String a seed bead and a red oval onto one wire and leave a tail of at least 5cm (2").

Day 9 - Poinsettias



Thread the long end of the wire (the working end) back into the oval bead and gently pull the wire through so the loop doesn't kink.



This will secure the seed bead in place. Bend both wires outwards to hold the oval bead in place.

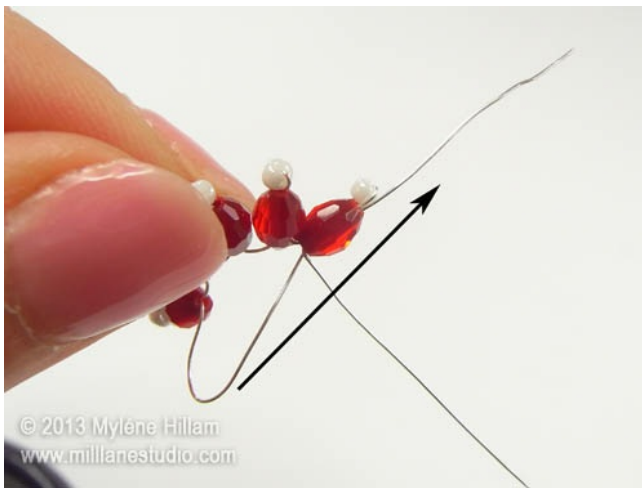


String an oval bead and a seed bead on the wire and pull them up to the first bead leaving a small gap 2-3mm (3/32"). (You need this gap so you can place a bead in the centre later on.) Thread the wire back through the oval bead, securing the seed bead in position.

Day 9 - Poinsettias



Create four more petals in the same way so that you have a total of six petals.



Take the tail of the non-working wire and insert it into the last petal created. It will be easier to pull through if the wire in the loop is straightened as you feed it through, and not left curved.



Pull up the wire so you have formed a flower shape.

Day 9 - Poinsettias



String a Light Topaz bicone on the working wire and position it in the centre of the flower.



Insert the wire through the oval bead on the opposite side of the flower, keeping the wire behind the bead in a straight line with the bead to prevent kinks and to make it easy to pull through.



Thread the wire through the seed bead as well.

Day 9 - Poinsettias



Next, create a wrapped loop to hang the poinsettia from. Grip the wire above the seed bead with chain nose pliers and bend it at a 90° angle above the jaws.



Place the round nose pliers in the neck and wrap the wire around the jaw to create a loop.



Wrap the tail around the neck of the loop two or three times. Use flush cutters to trim the wire close to the neck and tuck the cut end in.

Day 9 - Poinsettias



Trim away the excess wire at the bottom of the flower. Take care not to nick the wires running through the petals. Make two more poinsettias in the same way.



Separate the chain into two equal lengths and put one aside for the second earring. Separate the other one into three lengths: 1 link, 5 links and 15 links by opening the link as you would a jump ring. Open the bottom link of each chain and hook a poinsettia on.



Attach a jump ring to the other end of each chain and then attach these to the end connector with the longest one in the middle.

Attach the earring wire to the top loop of the connector and you're done. Make a second earring in the same way.

Day 10 - Winter Wonderland

Winter Wonderland Earrings

Today's earrings use shimmery metallic leather which catches the light and adds an interesting layer of texture to the design.



Day 10 - Winter Wonderland

Here's what you'll need:



- 2 34mm round silver filigrees
- 2 16mm silver snowflake charms
- 12 4mm Aquamarine Swarovski flatback crystals
- 2 Turquoise Crystal Teardrops
- 2 4mm Turquoise bicone crystals
- Silver Creek Leather Metallic Trim piece in Silver
- 2 4mm silver jump rings
- 2 silver earring wires
- 2 silver head pins
- 2 silver eye pins
- Beacon 527 adhesive
- EK Success Create Your Style Crystal Glue Pen
- Embellie Gellie
- Sizzix Big Shot Die Cutting Machine and Sizzix Bigz 1" Circles die
OR 1" circle punch, scrap of cardboard, pencil and scissors

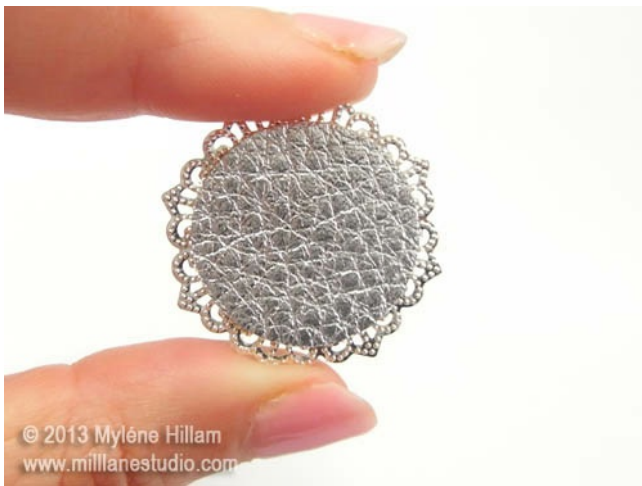
Tools: toothpick, round nose pliers, chain nose pliers, button shank removers, flush cutters

Cut two 1" circles with a die and die cutting machine if you have them or punch a 1" circle with the handheld circle punch in a scrap of cardboard and use this as a template to trace onto the back of the leather. Cut the circles out with the scissors.

Day 10 - Winter Wonderland



Use the toothpick to apply a thin layer of Beacon 527 adhesive to within 3mm (1/16") of the edge of the filigree.

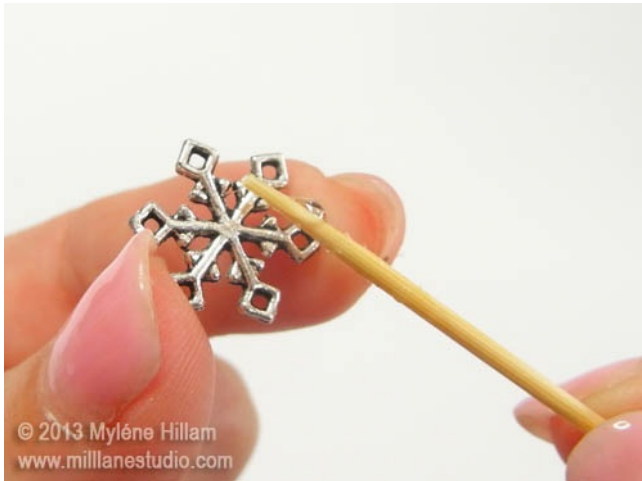


Position one of the leather circles in the centre of the filigree.



Trim away the loop of the snowflake charm using the button shank removers. Remove the excess first and then do a final trim with the flush cutters.

Day 10 - Winter Wonderland



Apply a thin layer of Beacon 527 Adhesive to the back of the charm with the toothpick.....



and then centre it on the leather.



Apply the Embellie Gellie to the applicator and use it to pick up a crystal. Apply a small dab of the Crystal Glue Pen and then place it half way between the snowflake and the edge of the leather. You may need to use a second toothpick to help release the crystal from the Embellie Gellie.

Tip: The Crystal Glue Pen has a tendency to "ooze" a bit so store it in a vertical position with the tip pointing upwards to restrict the flow of adhesive.

Day 10 - Winter Wonderland



Space six crystals evenly around the snowflake.



String the turquoise teardrop on the head pin and grip the wire above the bead with chain nose pliers. Bend the head pin at a 90° angle above the pliers to create a small neck.



Place the round nose pliers in the bend of the neck just created and wrap the head pin around the top jaw of the pliers to create a loop.

Day 10 - Winter Wonderland



Wrap the tail of the head pin neatly around the neck two or three times and then trim away the excess wire.



String the turquoise bicone onto an eye pin and turn a simple loop.



Open the loop and attach it to one of the scallops of the filigree.

Open the jump ring, hook on the teardrop and hook it through the opposite side of the filigree. Attach the earring wire to the turquoise bicone and then make a second earring to match.

Day 11 - Chain of Lights

Chain of Lights Earrings

Today's earrings are quick and easy but very eye catching: a garland of festive lights to dangle from your ears.



Day 11 - Chain of Lights

Here's what you'll need to make these:



- 6 6x4mm Ruby Red Czech Glass Teardrop Beads
- 2 8x6mm red Czech glass top drilled teardrops
- 6 silver twisted curved connectors
- 8 4mm silver jump rings
- 1.6m (approximately 64") 28-Gauge Tarnish Resistant Silver Wire
- 2 silver earring wires

Tools: round nose pliers, chain nose pliers, flush cutters



Cut the wire in half and set one piece aside for the second earring. Cut the remaining wire in four 20cm (8") lengths. Insert one into a 6x4mm teardrop leaving a tail of 3cm (1 3/16"). Bend the wires where they exit the beads so that they cross over each other above the point of the bead. Use your nail to bend the long wire vertically.



Wrap the short wire twice around the neck just created on the long wire.

Day 11 - Chain of Lights



Trim away the excess wire on the short tail.



Create a loop with the round nose pliers just above the coil.



Wrap the wire down around the neck and over the wraps made with the short wire.

Day 11 - Chain of Lights



Continue wrapping the wire around the bead until you cover the holes. Pass the wire diagonally across the wrapping on the front of the bead and then twice around the neck wraps to secure it.



Trim the excess wire. Create two more 6x4mm wrapped beads and one 8x6mm wrapped bead.



Open a jump ring and attach to curved connectors (string the outward curve first) and then one of the small wrapped teardrops so that it sits on the inside of the curve. Add a third connector and a teardrop to the bottom connector. Attach the third teardrop to the top connector with a jump ring.

Day 11 - Chain of Lights



Add the large teardrop to the bottom connector with a jump ring.

Now attach the top jump ring to the earring wire and then create a second earring to match.

Day 12 - Sparkle Trees

Sparkle Tree Earrings

The combination of textured leather and Swarovski crystals in these 3D earrings creates lots of shimmer and sparkle - a really fun pair of earrings for Christmas!



Day 12 - Sparkle Trees

Here's what you'll need:



- Silver Creek Leather - Gold Leather Trim piece
 - Approximately 50 3-4mm Swarovski flatback crystals in assorted colours
 - 2 textured 11mm silver star beads
 - 6 4mm silver bicones
 - 2 3mm silver spacer beads
 - 2 4mm silver daisy spacers
 - 2 6x9mm silver flat top cone bead caps
 - 2 60mm silver head pins
 - 2 silver earring wires
 - Fiebing's Leathercraft Adhesive
 - EK Success Crystal Glue Pen
 - Embellie Gellie Tool or fine tweezers
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- Gold fine tip permanent marker
 - Circle punches and a piece of scrap card stock - 10mm (3/8"), 16mm (5/8") and 20mm (3/4")

Tools: chain nose pliers, round nose pliers, flat nose pliers, flush cutters, rotary hand sewing leather punch, scissors



Punch each of the circles in the cardstock to create a template. Place the template over the back of the leather trim. Trace two circles of each size for each earring. Set two of each aside for the second earring.

Day 12 - Sparkle Trees



Cut out all the circles.



Neaten the circles by trimming away any furry edges.



You'll have six circles for each earring.

Day 12 - Sparkle Trees



Apply a thin layer of leather cement to the back of one of the large circles and then place in on the back of the corresponding circle. Press them firmly together.



Repeat with the medium and small circles.



Set the hole punch to the smallest hole. Find the centre of each disk and punch a hole in each one.

Day 12 - Sparkle Trees



String the daisy spacer, bead cone and 3mm spacer bead on the head pin.



String the large disk, a bicone, the medium disk, another bicone and the small disk, followed by another bicone.



String the star bead and then grip the head pin above the point of the star with the chain nose pliers. Turn a 90° angle above the star, creating a small neck.

Day 12 - Sparkle Trees



Place the round nose pliers in the bend of the neck and wrap the wire around the jaw to create a loop, making sure the wire crosses the neck.



Grip the loop with flat nose pliers and the tail of the head pin with chain nose pliers and wrap the tail around the neck of the head pin, creating a wrapped loop. Trim away the excess wire.



Apply a small dab of Crystal Glue on the cut edge of the large disk.

Day 12 - Sparkle Trees



Pick up a crystal with the Embellie Gellie tool or tweezers and position it on the adhesive. Continue attaching crystals, spacing them evenly around each of the disks. You will need approximately six for the small disk, nine for the medium disk and ten for the large disk.



Hook the Christmas tree onto the earring wire.

Make a second earring to match.

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