

12 DAYS of CHRISTMAS EARRINGS

VOLUME 7



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Welcome to 12 Days of Christmas Vol 7

If you love all the glitter and tinsel that light up the holiday season, then you'll love wearing these 12 earrings designs to add your own personal festive touch to Christmas. Choose from designs in traditional red and green, modern gunmetal and ice blue, and metals including gold, silver and copper. There are unusual designs that will make your earrings a stand out, as well as simple designs that you can put together quickly if you are short of time. Each design is clearly illustrated with step by step photos as well as clear, written instructions. You'll even find links for the supplies in the materials list of each design.

Now go forth, make Holiday earrings and show the world how much you love Christmas!

How to Find Beads, Components and Tools

When sourcing the supplies needed for each project, try your local bead store first (if you're lucky enough to still have one near you). It will keep the money in your local community and help keep their doors open. But if you're like most of us and you have to shop online, then you'll find links to many of the supplies used in the designs within the materials list for each project. At the time of publication, these sources were current.

From time to time though, you'll find that the suggested supplier is out of stock or that the item is no longer available on their website. So here are a couple of ideas you can try that might help you find what you're looking for:

- If a link no longer works, the item you are looking for may have been moved to a different page on the website so try the search bar on their home page to see if you can locate the item that way.
- If you still can't find what you're looking for, try hunting it down via image search on Google. Use the description as it appears in the materials list in the search bar.
- If that fails to turn up additional suppliers, other places you might find helpful are Amazon, Etsy and eBay. Big box craft stores usually have a jewellery making aisle too. And there are many excellent online retailers listed below.

* Please note that the suppliers suggested in each design are provided to help you source the supplies for the project and are not an endorsement or recommendation of the supplier. Please make your own judgement when purchasing online.

Online Retailers I Like:

[Firemountain Gems and Beads](#)

[Shipwreck Beads](#)

[Beads Online](#)

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Crystal and Pearl Wreath Earrings

Technique - Stringing

Swarovski Crystals and glass pearls make up these wreath earrings, strung on memory wire.



Spring Bell Dangle Earrings

Technique - Stringing

These slender coiled bead caps have an elegant silhouette and make a beautiful vessel for the haematite stars and crystals to tumble out of.



Spiral Cone Christmas Earrings

Technique - Stringing

The spiral of red and white seed beads and lollipop style bead dangle from the bottom of the filigree cone will add a whimsical touch to your outfits.



Slender Open Christmas Tree Earrings

Technique - Stringing

Shiny hollow tubes and sparkly red crystals combine to make these slender and lightweight Christmas Tree earrings.



Star Bauble Earrings

Technique - Stringing

These bauble earrings are a spin on the Christmas snow globe. A star charm is captured inside the globe and surrounded by sparkling Swarovski crystal.



Berries and Bell Earrings

Technique - Stringing

Bright red berries cling to a chain with a dangling wooden bell shaped bead cap.



Copper Wire Christmas Tree Earrings

Technique - Wirework

These curlicue wire Christmas Tree earrings have lovely warm tonings. The open frame adds a lightness to them.



Gold and Emerald Tube Earrings

Technique - Stringing

Elegant textured gold tubes capture the light in these elegant, slimline earrings. They feature necklace tabs dangling from the ends of the earrings.



Red Ornament Earrings

Technique - Stringing

Nothing says Christmas like a Christmas ornament and these ornaments for your ears are quick and easy to put together.



Silver Ornament Earrings

Technique - Stringing

Small hollow tubes form the circle and the tail of these slender earrings. They're strung on fine wire.



Diamond Star Earrings

Technique - Stringing

Layers of dangling star charms make up these lightweight star earrings.



Gold Mesh Star Drop Earrings

Technique - Stringing

Gold jewellery mesh is a wonderful back drop to the smokey grey margarita and star crystals in these drop earrings.

The Tools You'll Need

YOU'LL NEED A BASIC TOOL KIT TO COMPLETE THESE PROJECTS PLUS A COUPLE OF MORE SPECIALISED TOOLS.

You'll use these basic tools in almost every project.

The basic tools are (left to right):

chain nose pliers, flat nose pliers, flush cutters and round nose pliers.



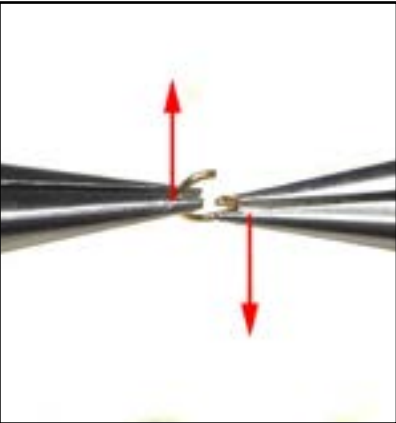
More specialised tools include (clockwise from top left):

Memory wire shears, Nylon jaw pliers, bead stoppers, steel hole punch and wire jig



Jewellery Making Essentials

THE PROJECTS IN THIS EBOOK ASSUME YOU KNOW THE FUNDAMENTALS OF JEWELLERY MAKING. IF YOU ARE NEW TO JEWELLERY MAKING, SPEND SOME TIME FAMILIARISING YOURSELF WITH THE TUTORIALS ON EACH TECHNIQUE. CLICK THE LINK TO GO TO THE TUTORIAL.



[How to open and close jump rings](#)



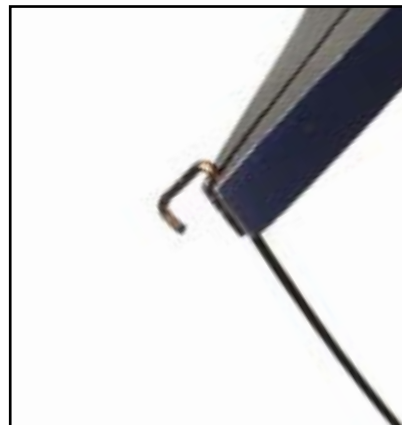
[How to make simple loops](#)



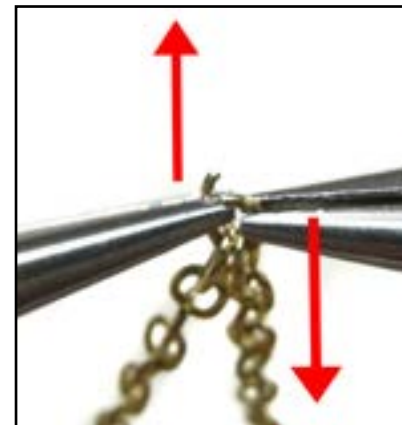
[How to make a wrapped loop](#)



[Turning loops on memory wire](#)



[How to make triangle jump rings](#)



[How to separate chain links](#)

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Right: Crystal and Pearl Wreath Earrings strung on ring-sized memory wire



Crystal and Pearl Wreath Earrings

Crystal and Pearl Wreath Earrings



Materials

[Finger size memory wire - silver](#)

20 [4mm Aquamarine Swarovski crystals](#)

12 [4mm white glass pearls](#)

2 [13mm white glass pearl teardrops](#)

4 silver ball head pins

2 4mm silver jump rings

2 silver earring wires

2 [12mm embossed silver stars](#)

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



Step 1: String the pearl teardrop onto the head pin and bend it just above the pearl at a 90° angle.



Step 2: Trim the head pin to 8mm (5/16") with flush cutters.



Step 3: Turn a simple loop with round nose pliers.



Step 4: String the star onto a head pin (in through the bottom and out through the top) and bend it at a 90° angle above the point of the star.



Step 5: Trim to 8mm (5/16").



Step 6: Turn a simple loop.



Step 7: Cut 1 ½ coils from the memory wire using memory wire shears.



Step 8: Turn an outward facing loop on one end of the coil.



Step 9: String a glass pearl, followed by two crystals. This is the stringing pattern.



Step 10: Continue stringing in this pattern until you reach the centre of the coil.



Step 11: String the loop of the pearl teardrop onto the coil.



Step 12: String the second half of the coil to match the first half, finishing with a glass pearl.



Step 13: Trim the coil with memory wire shears leaving enough length to turn a loop.



Step 14: Turn an outward facing loop.



Step 15: This should align with the loop at the beginning of the coil.



Step 16: Open a jump ring and hook it through the two loops so that it sits on the inside of the coil. Hook on the loop of the star and close the jump ring.



Step 17: Open the loop on the bottom of the earring and hook it through the top of the two loops. Make a second earring to match.



Spring Bell Dangle Earrings

Materials

- 2 [28x11mm coil bead cone ends](#)
- 4 [4mm Clear Swarovski bicones](#)
- 2 [6mm Clear Swarovski bicones](#)
- 4 [4mm silver bicones](#)
- 4 [6mm haematite star beads \(non-magnetic\)](#)
- 2 [5mm x 3mm deep silver plate cone bead cap](#)
- 22 [gauge non tarnish silver wire](#)
- [Silver cable chain - fine](#)
- 12 silver head pins
- 2 silver earring wires



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



Step 1: String the star beads, 4mm clear bicones and 4mm silver bicones on head pins.



Step 2: Bend each head pin at a 90° angle just above the bead.



Step 3: Trim each head pin to 8mm (5/16").



Step 4: Turn a simple loop on each one.



Step 5: Cut a 7.5cm (3") piece of wire and bend it at a 90° angle approximately 15mm (5/8") from one end.



Step 6: Turn a simple loop, using the widest part of the jaws of the round nose pliers. This loop needs to be large enough that it won't slip through the top of the coil cone.



Step 7: Open the loop on one of the crystals and hook it through the bottom link on the spool of chain.



Step 8: Open the loop of the eye pin you just made. Count up 8 links and insert the end of the eye pin through the link.



Step 9: Cut the 9th link of the chain away.



Step 10: Hook each of the other beads onto lengths of chain in the same way. Make some one or two links longer and one or two links shorter. Hook each one onto the eye pin and close it securely.



Step 11: Insert the end of the wire through the coil cone from the widest end. Pull the beads up into the cone until it fits snugly.



Step 12: String the bead cap and 6mm crystal onto the wire.



Step 13: Bend the wire at a 90° angle just above the crystal.



Step 14: Trim the wire to 8mm (5/16").



Step 15: Turn a simple loop.



Step 16: Open the loop and hook on the earring wire. Make a matching earring with the remaining components.



Spiral Cone Christmas Earrings



Materials

2 50x12mm silver filigree cone
bead caps

2 16mm red Chinese Artemis-style cone bead

2 10mm red and white Millefiore swirl coin beads

40 10/0 red 2-cut seed beads

200 10/0 white seed beads

22 gauge non tarnish silver wire

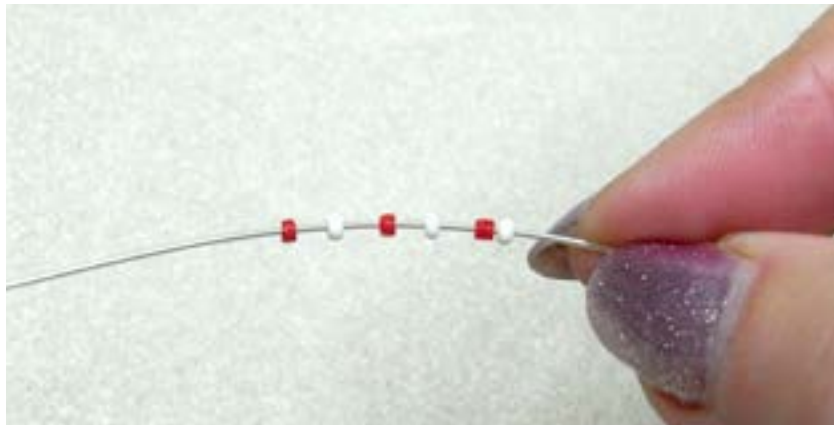
2 silver ball head pins

2 gold earring wires

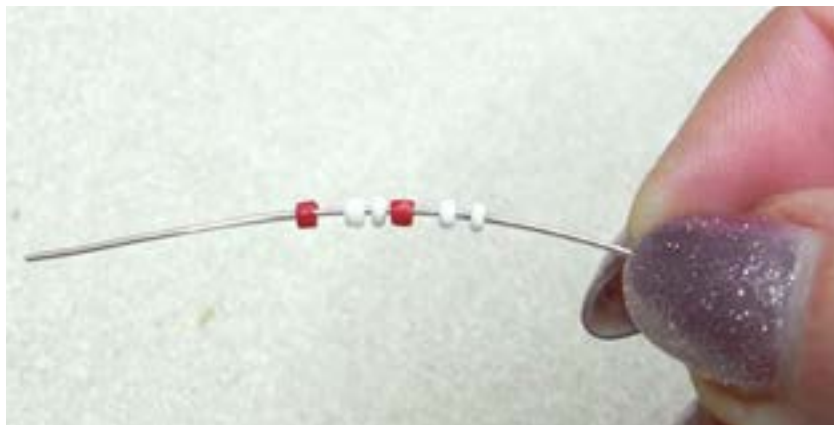
Tools: chain nose pliers, flat nose pliers, round nose pliers, flush cutters, bead stopper, steel hole punch or drill with 1mm drill bit and a scrap of wood



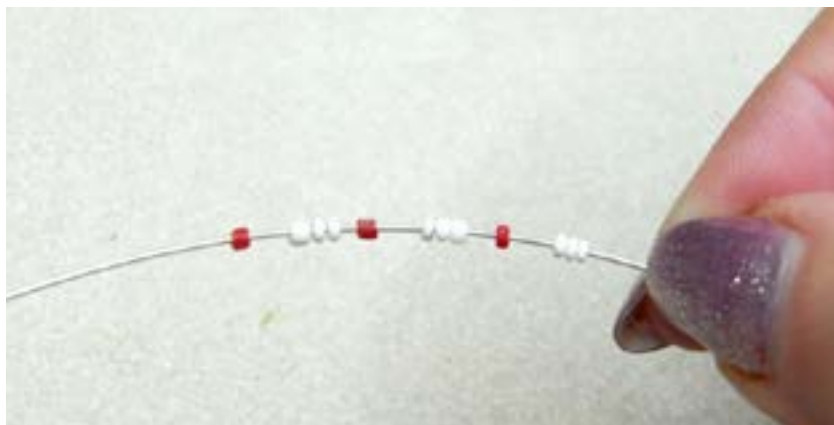
Step 1: Cut a 23cm (9") piece of wire. Turn a small loop (as small as you can) with the round nose pliers on one end.



Step 2: String six seed beads, alternating white with red.



Step 3: String six more seed beads, this time alternating two white with one red.



Step 4: String three white seed beads and one red bead for two or three sets.



Step 5: Continue stringing alternating white and red beads, increasing the number of white seed beads in each set until you have strung approximately 15cm (6") beads and you have used 20 red beads.

Step 6: Place a bead stopper on the end to keep the beads from falling off.



Step 7: Hold the loop of the wire between your thumb and finger and wrap wrapping all the wire around until you have formed a flat spiral.



Step 8: String the swirl coin bead on a head pin and create a wrapped loop.



Step 9: String the red cone bead on a head pin.





Step 10: Insert it through the filigree cone bead cap.



Step 11: Place the loop of the spiral onto the head pin and position the loop over the point of the cone.



Step 12: Bend the head pin at a 90° angle.



Step 13: Trim it and form a simple loop.



Step 14: Punch a hole through the dimple just below the point at the top of the filigree cone.



Step 15: Alternatively, use the drill to drill the hole.



Step 16: Remove the bead stopper from the spiral and insert it from the back of the filigree cone through the large opening on the right hand side.



Step 17: Insert the wire through the hole you just made and pull it tight so the beads sit up against the hole.



Step 18: Bend the wire on the back so that it sits flush against the cone. Use the chain nose pliers to grip the wire and bend it above the pliers to the side.



Step 19: Wrap the wire around the round nose pliers so it crosses in the front.



Step 20: Wrap the wire neatly around the neck three or four times.



Step 21: Open the hook at the bottom of the cone and attach the swirl coin bead. Open the loop on the earring wire and hook on the wire wrapped loop of the filigree cone. Make a second earring with the remaining components.



Slender Open Christmas Tree Earrings



Materials

12 [4mm Lt Siam Swarovski crystal bicones](#)

8 [1.5mm x 20mm silver twisted metal tubes](#)

4 silver seed beads

2 [open silver star charm](#)

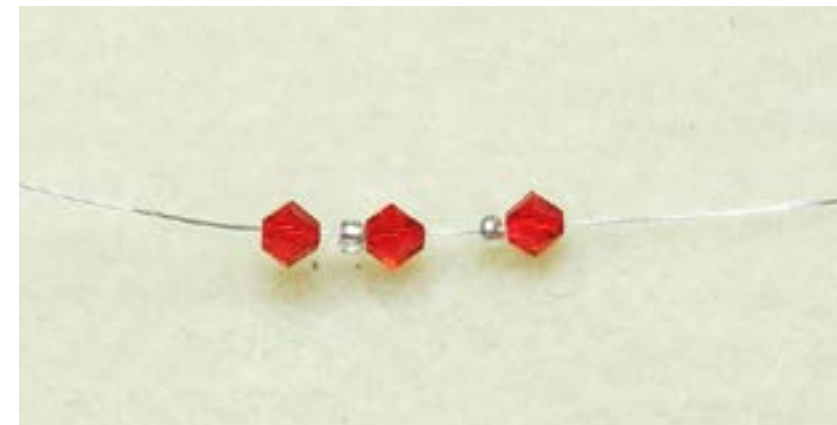
[26 gauge non tarnish silver wire](#)

2 silver earring wires

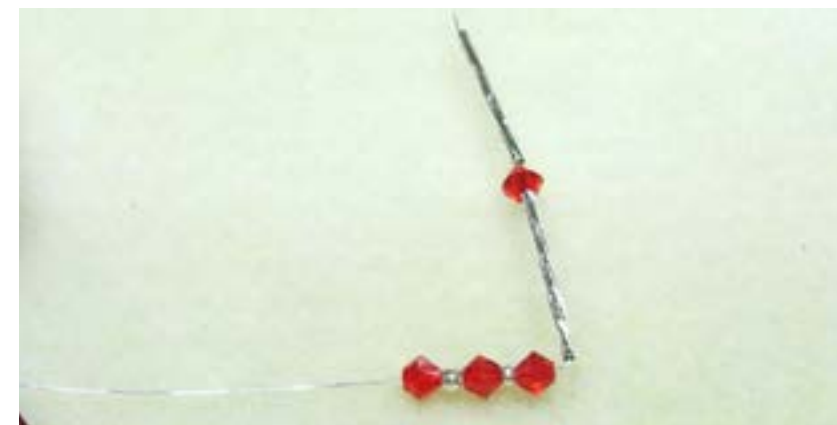
Tools: chain nose pliers, flat nose pliers, flush cutters



Step 1: Cut a piece of wire 40cm (16") long. String a metal tube, a crystal, and a metal tube onto the wire.



Step 2: String a crystal, a seed bead, a crystal, a seed bead and a crystal onto the wire. Slide all the components towards the end of the wire, leaving a 10cm (4") tail after the crystals.



Step 3: Bend the wire at an angle between the tube and the three crystals to begin forming a triangle.



Step 4: Bend the wire between the crystal and the second tube back down towards the crystals to form the triangle shape.



Step 5: Insert the short wire through the tube.



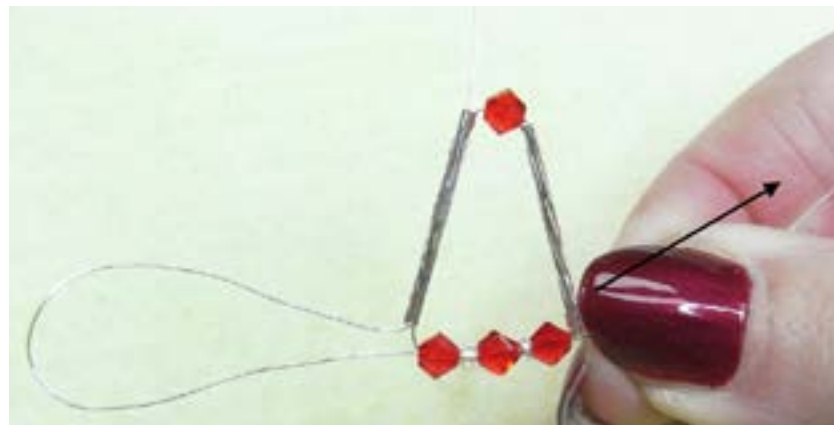
Step 6: Use flat nose pliers to draw the wire through the tube.



Step 7: Pull it up tight to complete the triangle. The short tail is now at the top of the triangle and the working wire (the long tail) is on the left-hand side.

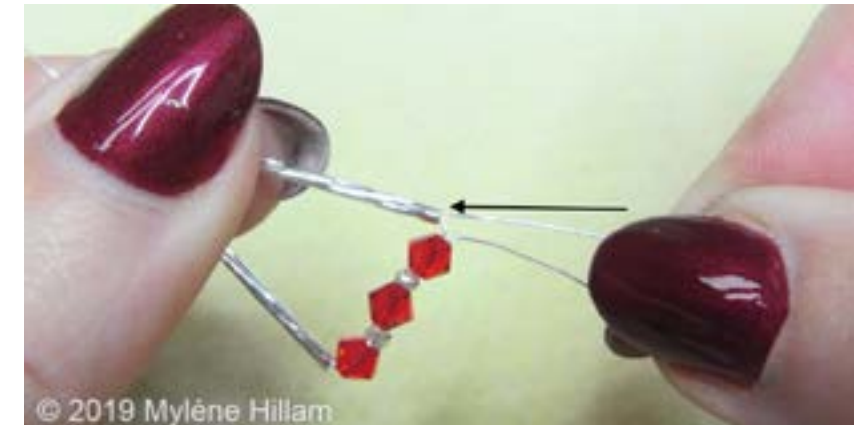


Step 8: Take the working wire and insert it through the crystals and seed beads....



Step 8a:and draw it through the other side

Step 9: Then feed it through the hollow tube on the right-hand side.



Step 10: String a crystal, two tubes and a crystal onto the wire.



Step 11: Bend the wire before the crystal so that the crystal sits horizontally alongside the crystal at the top of the first triangle. Then bend the wire between the crystal and the tube vertically to begin forming the second triangle.



Step 12: Bend the wire between the two tubes back down towards the first triangle.



Step 13: It should look like this.



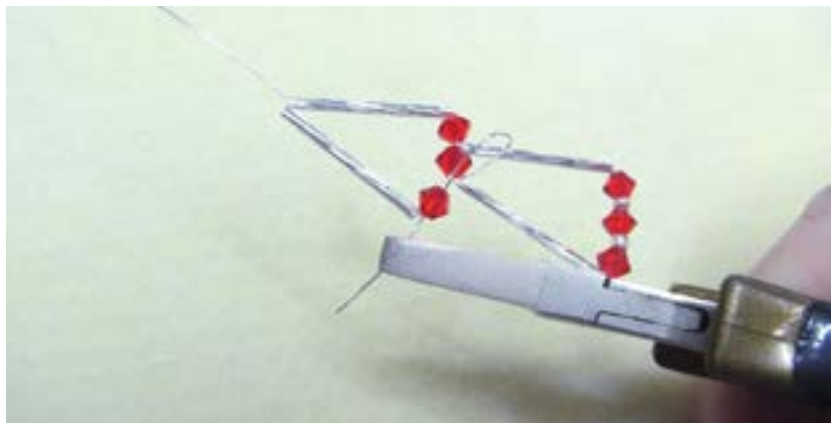
Step 14: Thread the wire through the two crystals to form the base of the top triangle.



Step 15: Use flat nosed pliers to draw the wire all the way through and pull the triangle up tight.



Step 16: Thread the wire through the tube to the top of the triangle.



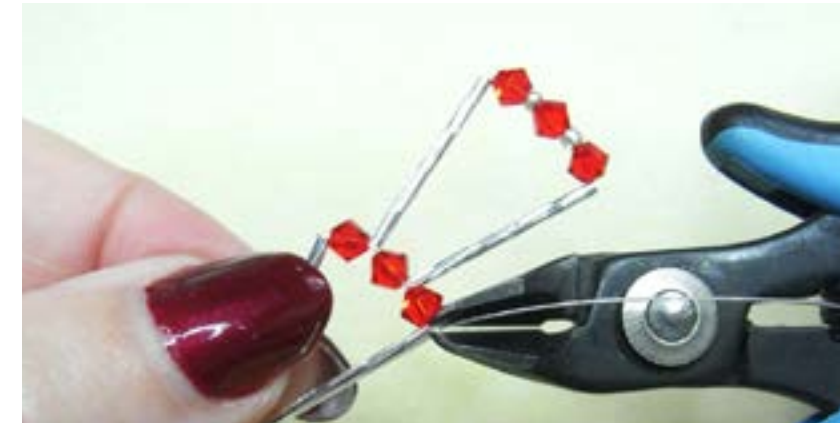
Step 17: Insert the short wire through the crystal on the left hand side and pull it up tight.



Step 18: Wrap the working wire around the base of the star charm several times so that it is centred above the triangles securely.



Step 19: Thread the wire back down the tube on the other side of the triangle.



Step 20: Trim away both wires.

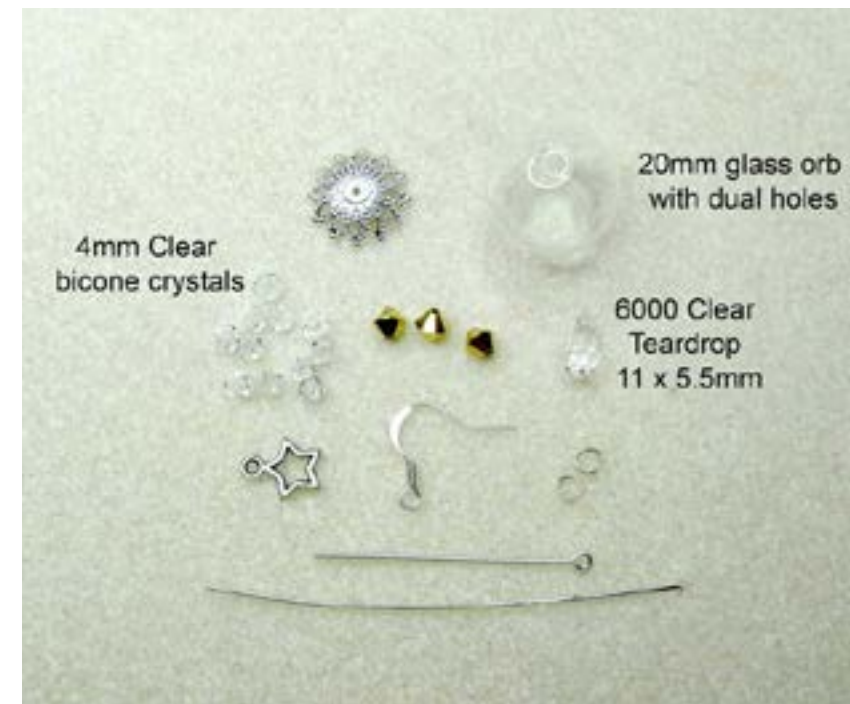


Step 21: Open the loop of the earring wire and attach it to the loop of the star.

Make a second earring to match with the remaining components.



Star Bauble Earrings



Materials

22 [4mm Clear Swarovski crystal bicones](#)

6 [6mm Aurum Preciosa crystal bicones](#)

2 [20mm clear mini glass globes with top hole and 12mm opening or globe with single opening and two caps](#)

2 [11x5.5mm Clear crystal teardrops](#)

2 [10mm open silver star charms](#)

2 [16mm silver filigree bead caps](#)

4 4mm silver jump rings

2 silver eye pins

2 extra long silver head pins

2 silver earring wires

5-minute epoxy adhesive

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



Step 1: Set aside the large cap from the globe for another project. Bend each point of the 16mm bead cap downwards until they are vertical.

Step 2: Test it for fit on the 12mm opening of the glass globe.





Step 3: Open a jump ring and hook the loop of the star charm onto it.



Step 4: Hook the loop of the eye pin onto the jump ring and then close it.



Step 5: Insert the eye pin through the hole in the bead cap.



Step 6: Bend the eye pin at a 90° angle just above the bead cap.



Step 7: Trim it to 10mm (3/8") and turn a simple loop.



Step 8: Skip to Step 15 if using a globe with only one opening. String a clear crystal onto the head pin.



Step 9: Insert it through the hole in the globe from the inside.



Step 10: Grip the head pin below the hole with chain nose pliers and bend it at a 90° angle above the jaws of the pliers.



Step 11: Switch to round nose pliers and grip the neck of the head pin in the neck. Wrap the tail around the jaws to begin forming a loop.



Step 12: Continue wrapping it around the pliers so that crosses over the neck of the head pin to form a complete loop.

Step 13: Wrap the tail around the neck neatly until the globe is stable.



Step 14: Trim the end close to the neck.



Step 15:

If using a globe with one opening, mix the adhesive and glue the small cap on the bottom of the globe. Open the jump ring and hook on the teardrop and the loop on the globe.



Step 16: Fill the globe with 11 Clear and 3 Aurum crystals.



Step 17: Mix the adhesive and apply it along the inside of the points of the bead cap.



Step 18: Attach the bead cap. Leave it to dry completely.



Step 19: Open the loop on the earring wire and hook it through the loop on the globe. Make a second earring to match with the remaining components.

Berries and Bell Earrings



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

Materials

12 [4mm x 6mm faceted red rondelles](#)
 2 [6mm red rounds](#)
 2 [13mm wooden bell bead caps \(these are slightly smaller\)](#)
 2 [filigree leaf bead caps](#)
 12 [6mm filigree basket bead caps](#)

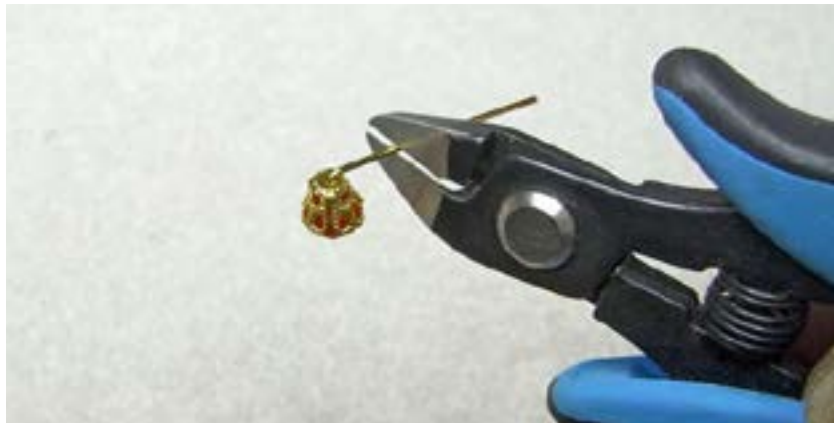
14 gold eye pins
 6 4mm gold jump rings
 Gold fine necklace chain
 2 gold earring wires

Step 1: String a rondelle and filigree basket bead cap on each of six head pins.





Step 2: Bend the head pins just above the bead cap using flat nose pliers.



Step 3: Trim to 8mm (5/16") with flush cutters.



Step 4: Turn a simple loop with the round nose pliers.



Step 5: String the round bead and bell on another head pin.

Step 6: String the leaf bead cap onto the head pin.



Step 7: Bend the head pin above the bead cap.



Step 8: Trim to 8mm (5/16").



Step 9: Turn a simple loop.



Step 10: Press the tips of the leaves of the bead cap against the bell to curve them.



Step 11: Use chain nose pliers to separate the chain into two pieces with 7 links and one piece with 3 links. If preferred, you can cut the chain instead of opening the links.



Step 12: Open the loop of the earring wire sideways and hook on the 3-link piece of chain. Close the loop.



Step 13: Open a jump ring and hook on two berry components. Hook on one of the 7-link pieces of chain.



Step 14: Hook on a third berry component.



Step 15: Hook the bottom link from the 3-link piece of chain and then close the jump ring.



Step 16: Open another jump ring and hook it through the bottom loop of the 7-link piece of chain.



Step 17: Hook on two berries.





Step 18: Hook on the second 7-link piece of chain.



Step 19: Hook on a third berry and close the jump ring.



Step 20: Hook a jump ring through the bottom link of the chain.



Step 21: Hook the bell component onto the jump ring and close it. Make a second earring to match with the remaining components.



Copper Wire Christmas Tree Earrings



Materials

[20 gauge copper wire](#)

8 [6mm gold star charms](#)

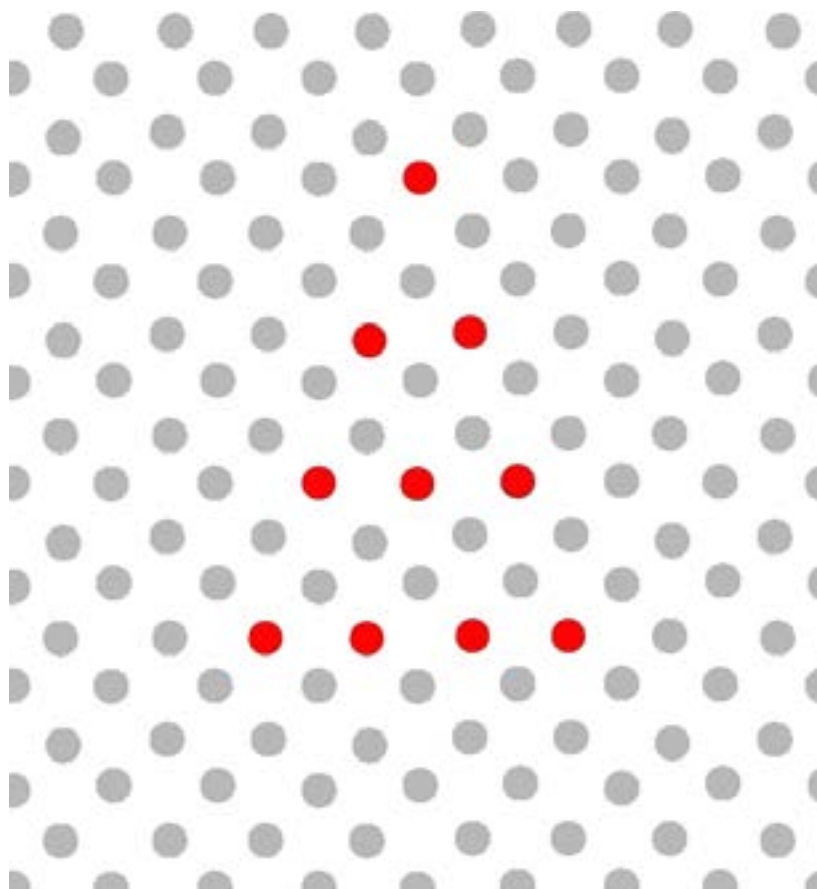
2 [6mm gold star beads](#)

2 gold eye pins

2 gold earring wires

[Deluxe Thing-A-Ma Jig](#)

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

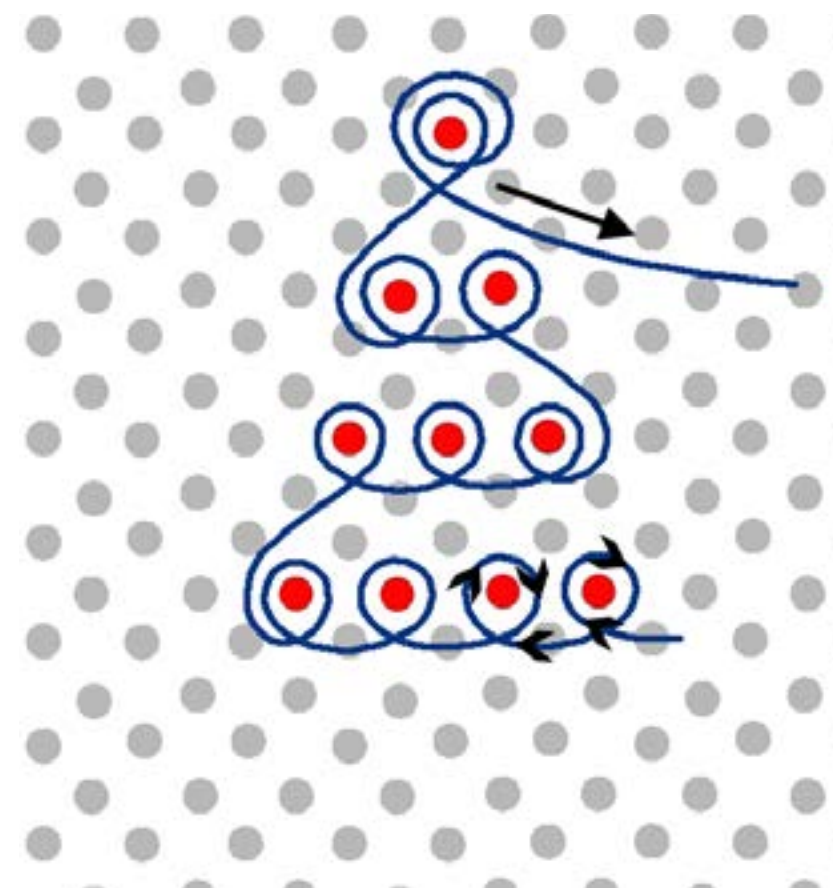


Step 1: Position the pegs in the jig to create a slender triangle, following the placement in the diagram.

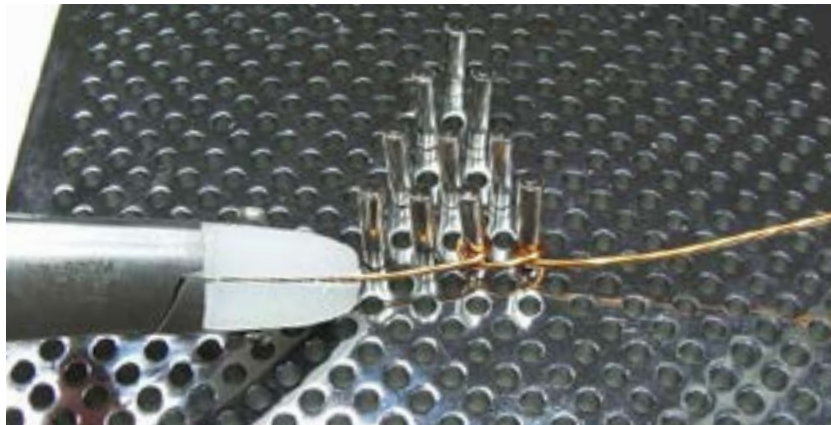


Step 2: Cut a piece of wire 45cm (18") long.

Step 3: Wrap the wire clockwise around the peg on the bottom right of the jig. Leave a 2.5cm (1") tail to the right of the peg, with the wires crossing over each other at the bottom. Pull the loop tight with nylon jaw pliers.



Step 4: Wrap the wire around the next peg.



Step 5: Pull the loop up tightly with the pliers.



Step 6: Wrap the wire tightly around the next two pegs on this row.

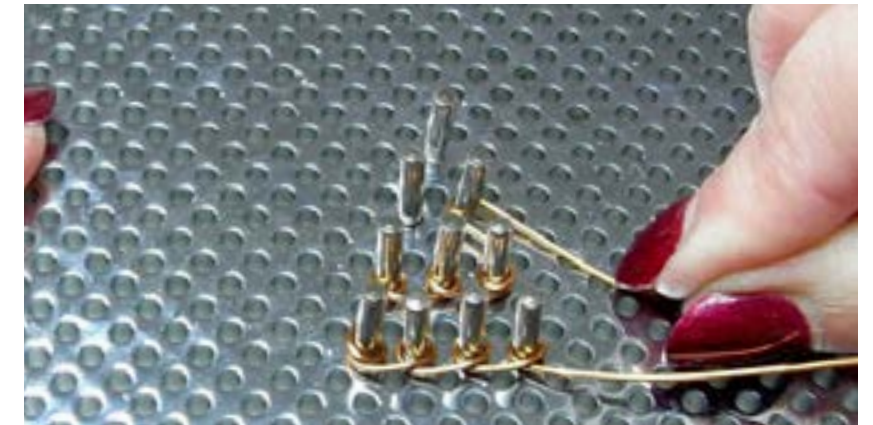


Step 7: Pass the wire to the second bottom row, wrapping it anti-clockwise around the inside of the left-hand peg and then form a complete loop.

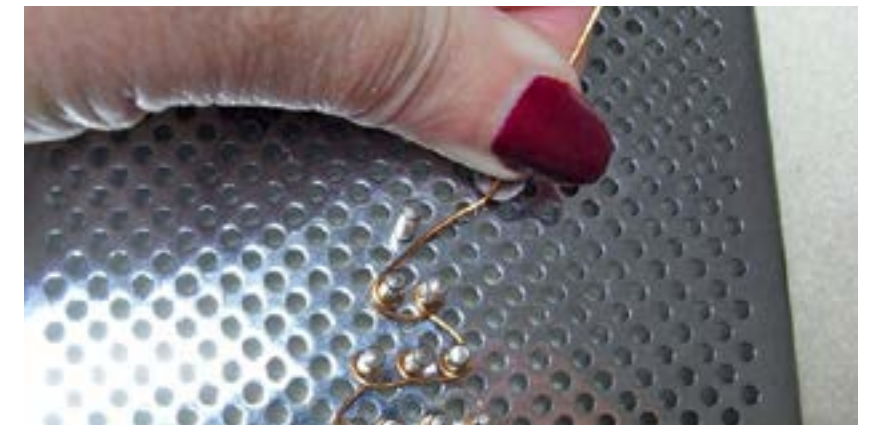


Step 8: Continue wrapping the wire anti-clockwise around the middle and right-hand pegs.

Step 9: Pass the wire to the second top row, wrapping it clockwise around the inside of the right-hand peg and then complete the loop.



Step 10: Complete the row by wrapping the wire clockwise around the left-hand peg.



Step 11: Pass the wire to the top row.

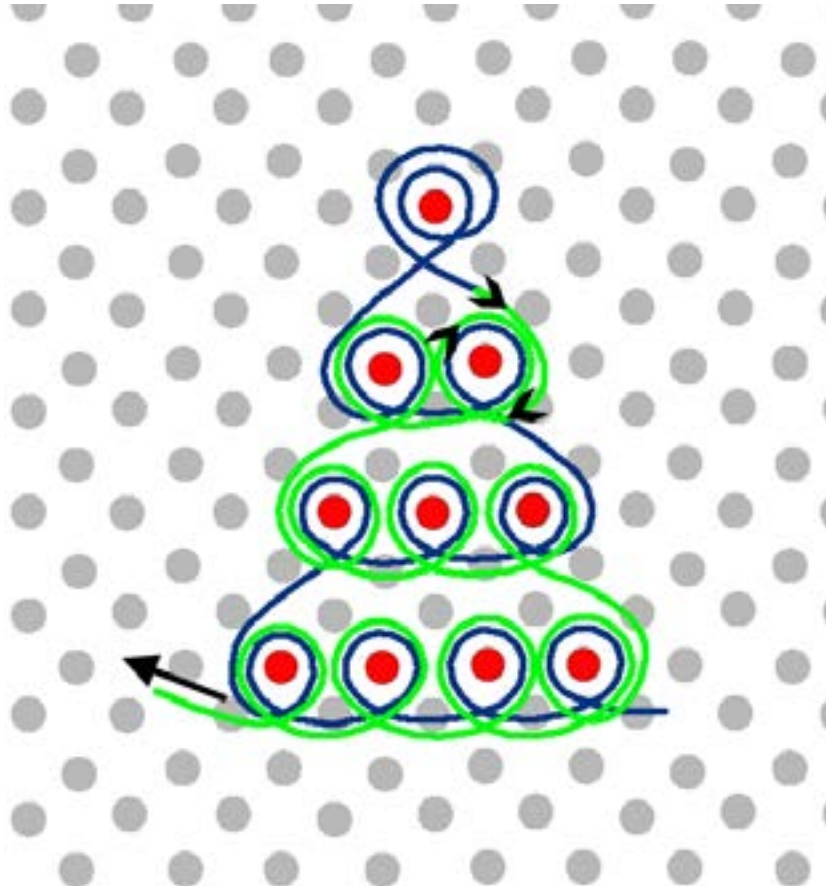


Step 12: Wrap the wire around the right-hand side of the peg and then anti-clockwise around the peg to complete the loop.

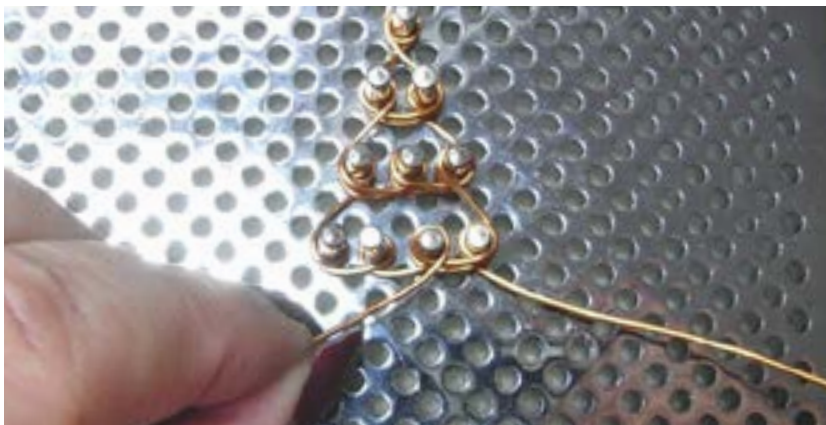


Step 13: Wrap the wire around the top peg a second time.

Step 14: Reinforce the tree by securing the other side of each row. Refer to Diagram 3 to see the path the wire should take.



Step 15: Continue the wire wrapping until you reach the bottom left-hand peg.



Step 16: The tree should look like this.



Step 17: Pull out all the pegs and remove the tree from the jig.



Step 18: Use the flush cutters to trim the two wires.



Step 19: Open a jump ring and hook on a star charm. Hook it through the outer right-hand loop on the bottom row.



Step 20: Attach a star to each of the loops on the bottom row.



Step 21: String the star bead onto an eye pin. You will be cutting away the loop from eye pin and creating a larger loop.



Step 22: Bend the eye pin 12mm (1/2") from the end.



Step 23: Turn a simple loop.



Step 24: Bend the eye pin at a 90° angle above the star bead, perpendicular to the first loop. Trim it to 12mm (1/2").



Step 25: Form a simple loop.



Step 26: Open the loop sideways and hook it through the top loop of the Christmas Tree.



Step 27: Open the other loop on the star bead and hook it through the earring wire. Make a second earring to match with the remaining components.





Gold and Emerald Tube Earrings



Materials

6 [4mm Emerald Swarovski crystal bicones](#)

4 [1.5mm x 20mm gold twisted metal tubes](#)

2 [1.5mm x 30mm gold twisted metal tubes](#)

4 [gold extension chain tabs](#)

2 [5mmx10mm gold clasp tabs](#)

10 gold eye pins

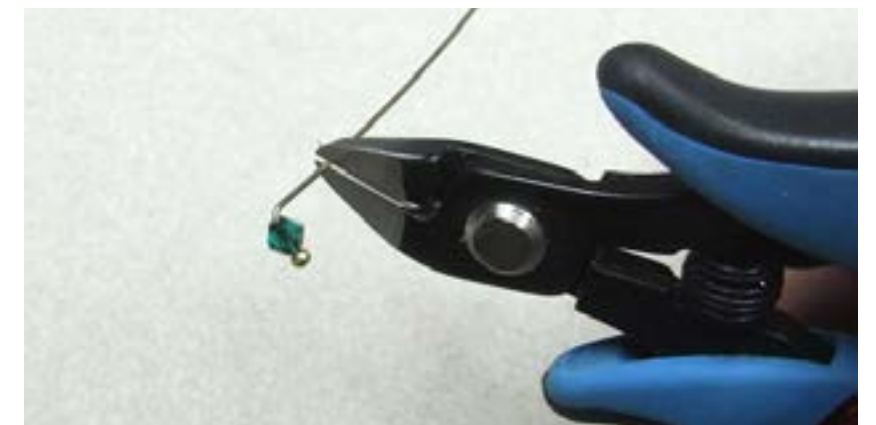
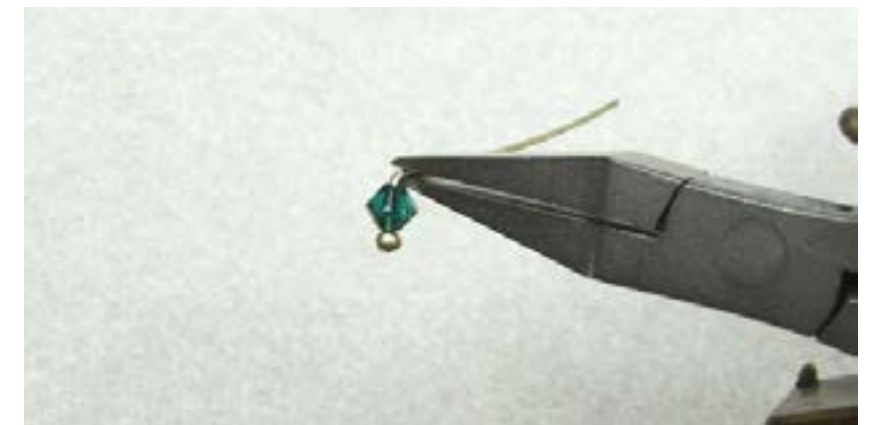
2 ball end head pins

2 gold earring wires

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

Step 1: String a crystal on the ball end head pin and bend it just above the bead at a 90° angle with flat nose pliers.

Step 2: Trim the head pin to 8mm (5/16") with flush cutters.

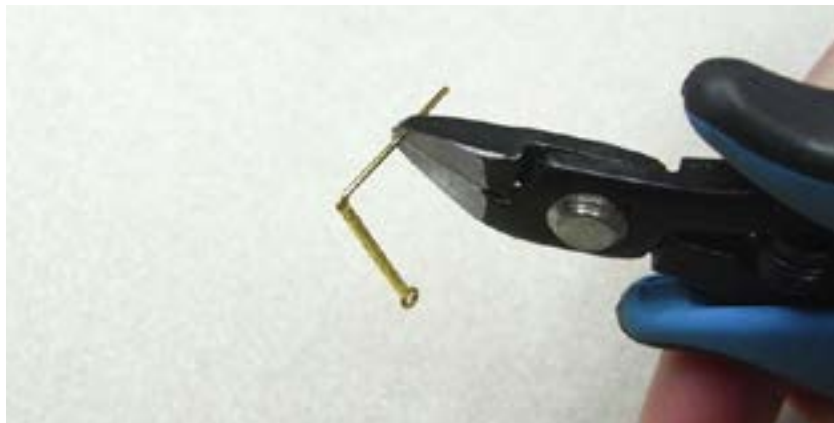




Step 3: Turn a simple loop with round nose pliers, facing in the same direction as the eye pin loop.



Step 4: String one long and two short tubes onto separate eye pins and bend each one just above the top of each tube.

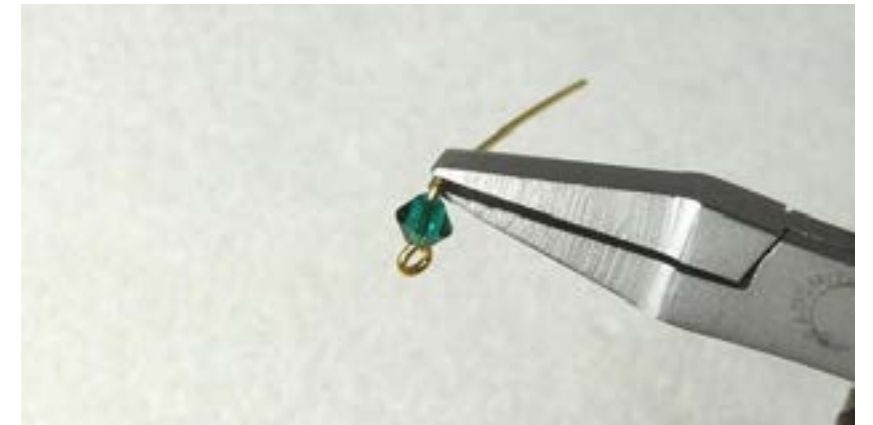


Step 5: Trim to 8mm (5/16").

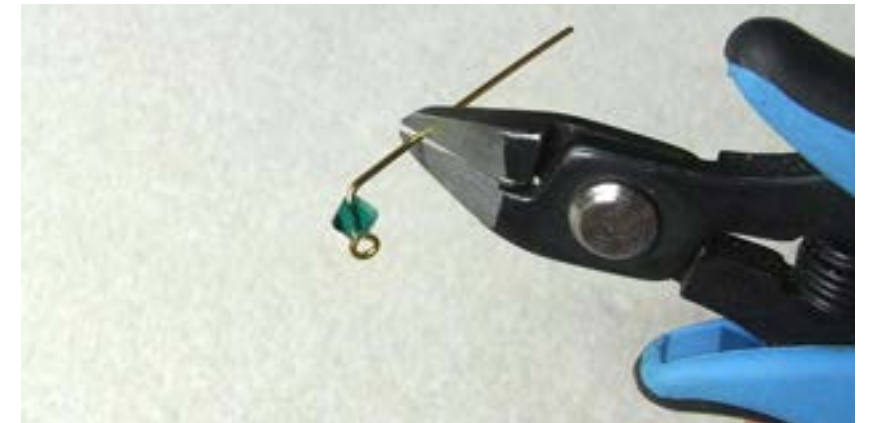


Step 6: Turn a simple loop.

Step 7: String a bicone on each of two eye pins. Bend the eye pins just above the crystal.



Step 8: Trim the eye pin to 8mm (5/16")



Step 9: Turn a simple loop facing in the same direction as the eye pin loop.



Step 10: Open the loop on one of the eye pin crystals sideways and hook it through a short tube loop. Close the loop again.





Step 11: Open the other eye of the eye pin crystal and hook on an extension chain tab. Repeat these last two steps on the other short tube component.



Step 12: Open the loop on the head pin crystal and hook it through one of the loops on the long tube component. Close the loop.



Step 13: Open the loop on the other end of each metal tube and hook them onto the large opening on the extension chain pull, with the long tube in the middle. Close the loops.



Step 14: Open the loop on the earring wire and insert it through the top hole of the extension chain pull. Make a second earring to match with the remaining components.



Red Ornament Earrings

Materials

2 [12x8mm faceted opaque red rondelle beads](#)

4 [4mm Lt Siam Swarovski bicones](#)

4 [4mm Clear Swarovski rondelle spacers](#)

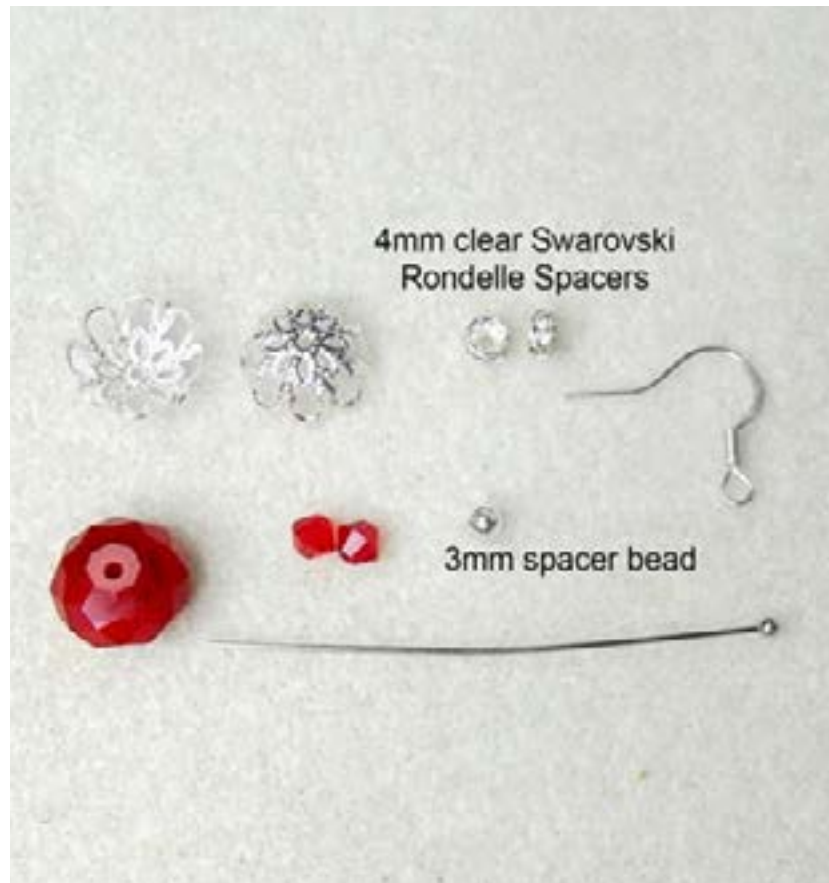
4 [12mm x 5mm deep filigree flower bead caps](#)

2 [3mm silver spacer beads](#)

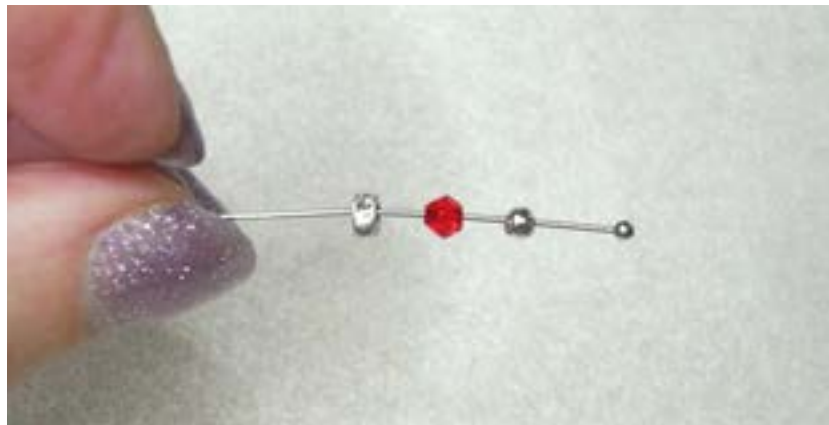
2 silver ball head pins

2 silver earring wires

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



Step 1: String a silver spacer bead, red bicone and clear rondelle onto a head pin.



Step 2: String a bead cap and a faceted red rondelle.



Step 3: String a second bead cap so that it cups the rondelle, a clear rondelle and a red bicone.



Step 4: Grip the head pin just above the crystal with flat nose pliers. Leave a small gap above the crystal so that you don't chip it as you bend the head pin. Bend the head pin at a 90° angle.



Step 5: Trim the head pin to 9-10mm (3/8") with flush cutters and turn a simple loop.

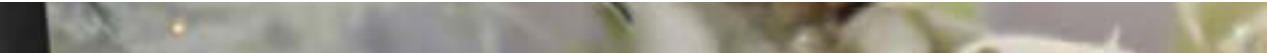


Step 6: Open the loop sideways and hook on the earring wire before closing it again. Make a matching earring with the remaining components.





Silver Ornament Earrings



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



Materials

- 8 [4mm Lt Siam Swarovski bicone crystals](#)
- 4 [4mm Clear Swarovski bicone crystals](#)
- 2 [11x5.5mm Clear Swarovski 6000 teardrops](#)
- 16 [Silver Plated curved tubes – 1.2mm x 13mm](#)
- 2 [14mm frosted white acrylic star beads](#)
- [28g non-tarnish silver wire](#)
- 2 silver ball head pins
- 2 4mm silver jump rings
- 2 silver earring wires

Step 1: Cut two 15cm (6”) pieces of wire and twist them together 4cm (1-1/2”) from one end.



Step 2: String a silver tube on each wire and slide them down to the twist.

Step 3: Bring the two wires back together and twist them for about 4mm (5/32").



Step 4: String a clear crystal on the two wires.



Step 5: Slide the crystal down to cover the twists.



Step 6: Twist the two wires together again and then repeat steps 2-5.



Step 7: Separate the two wires and string a red crystal on each wire.



Step 8: String two tubes on each wire and slide them down to the red beads.



Step 9: String a red crystal on each wire.



Step 10: Bring the two wires back together and twist them.



Step 11: Grip the end of the two wires with chain nose pliers and twist the wire until all the wire is twisted evenly. Take care not to overtwist the wire or it may snap.



Step 12: Twist the wires at the bottom of the earring in the same way.



Step 13: Grip the wire above the crystals with chain nose pliers and bend it sideways above the jaws to create a neck.



Step 14: Grip the bend in the neck with round nose pliers and wrap the tail around the jaws to form a loop that crosses in front of the neck.



Step 15: Neatly wrap the wire around the neck two or three times.



Step 16: Trim away the excess wire close to the neck, taking care not to nick the wire running through the components.



Step 17: String the star bead on a head pin and bend it at a 90° angle.



Step 18: Trim the head pin to 10mm (3/8").



Step 19: Turn a simple loop.



Step 20: Open the loop sideways and hook it around the wire next to the two red beads at the top of the earring. Close the loop completely so that it can't slip off the fine wire.



Step 21: Open the loop of the earring wire and hook it onto the wrapped loop at the top of the earring.



Step 22: String the teardrop crystal onto the jump ring and hook it onto the bottom wrapped loop. Close the jump ring. Make a second earring to match with the remaining components.



Diamond Star Earrings



Materials

8 silver 1-to-2 linking loop findings (doubles)

OR

4 single and two doubles

20 4mm gold jump rings

2 gold earring wires

18 6mm gold star charms (buy individually or [on a chain](#))

Tools: flush cutters, chain nose pliers

For this project, you'll be working from the bottom of the diamond up to the top.

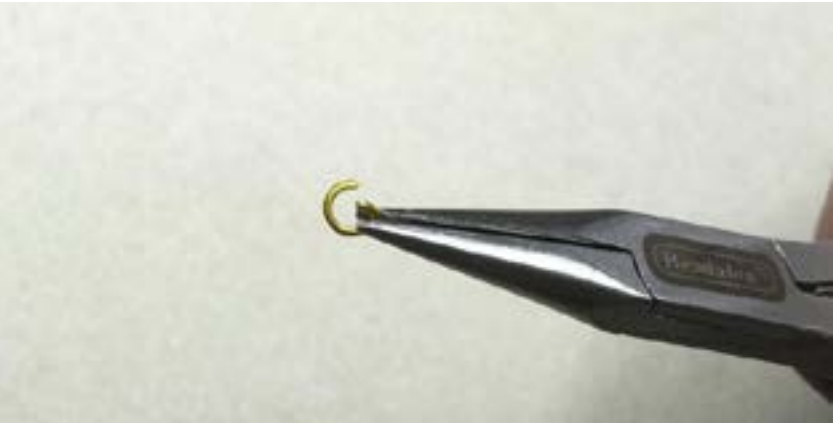


Step 1: Skip Steps 1 and 2 if you have single linking loops.

Trim the second loop off four of the linking loops using flush cutters.



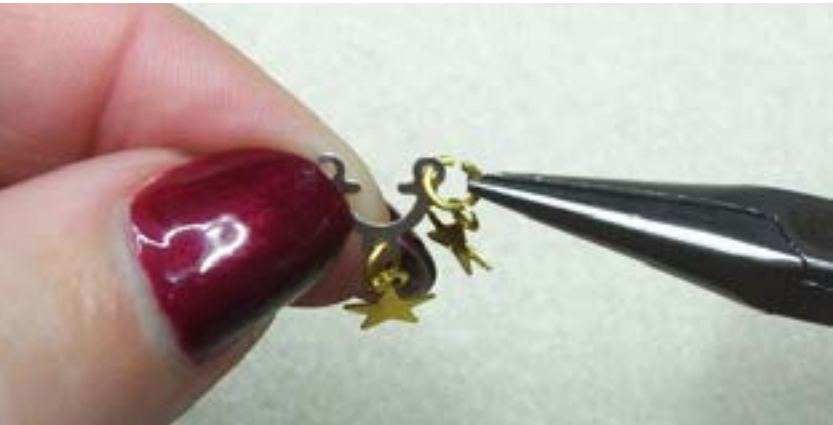
Step 2: Try to make the cut as symmetrical as you can. If there are rough edges where you cut, use a file to smooth them.



Step 3: Open half the jump rings.



Step 4: Bottom Row: Hook a star charm onto one of the open jump rings and hook it through the bottom loop of one of the single linking loops then close the jump ring.



Step 5: Hook a star on another jump ring and insert it through the front of the right-hand loop. Leave the jump ring open.



Step 6: Add another row: Hook the outside bottom loop of a 2-loop linking loop onto the jump ring.

Step 7: Close the jump ring. It should look like this. Repeat steps 5 and 6 on the left-hand bottom loop.



Step 8: Hook a star on a jump ring, insert it through the right-hand top loop.

Add another row: Turn a 2-loop component upside down so that it mirrors the 2nd bottom row. Hook the outer loop onto the jump ring and close it.



Step 9: Add a star to the middle loop and connect the 2nd bottom and third rows together. Repeat on the left-hand side.



Step 10: Add the top row: Hook a star on a jump ring and insert it through the outer right loop. Turn a 1-loop component upside down and hook the outside right-hand loop onto the jump ring. Close the jump ring.



Step 11: Repeat on the left-hand side.



Step 12: Hook a jump ring and star through the top loop of the component and close the jump ring.



Step 13: Insert the remaining jump ring through the top jump ring and attach the earring wire.

Make a second earring to match with the remaining components.





Gold Mesh Star Drop Earrings



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

Materials

- [2mm square gold Glow Mesh \(metal mesh fabric\)](#) - 2cm x 15cm
- Fine gold necklace chain
- 2 [13mm Black Diamond crystal star bead - top drilled](#)
- [Black Diamond Margarita beads](#) - 2 x 8mm, 2 x 10mm, 2 x 12mm
- [22 gauge non tarnish gold wire](#)
- 2 [25mm 18k gold plated hoops](#)
- 10 4mm gold jump rings
- 2 gold earring wires



Step 1: You will need to separate two pieces 1cm wide by 7.5cm long (3/8" x 3") from the mesh sheet for each earring. There are two methods you can use depending on how patient you are: 1) lift the prongs or 2) cut through the connecting rings between the rows. If you cut through the rings it may limit what you can do with the mesh on your next project.

Step 2: If you lifted the prongs, once you have removed the strip from the sheet, close each pair of prongs again.



Step 3: Make triangle jump rings for the crystal components. You can make the triangles whilst the wire is still on the spool to save wasting wire. Using flat nose pliers, position the end of the wire into the jaws so that it sits just short of the middle of the pliers. Make a bend. This is the first prong.



Step 4: Reposition the pliers on the other side of the bend and make another bend.



Step 5: Position the pliers on the other side of the second bend and make a third bend.



Step 6: Trim the wire to create another prong. Make a second triangle jump ring the same size.



Step 7: Make a triangle jump ring twice the width of the pliers. Then make one that is one and half times the width of the pliers.



Step 8: You should have one tall, one medium and two small triangle jump rings.



Step 9: Cut the chain into the following lengths: two 7-link pieces and one 3-link piece.



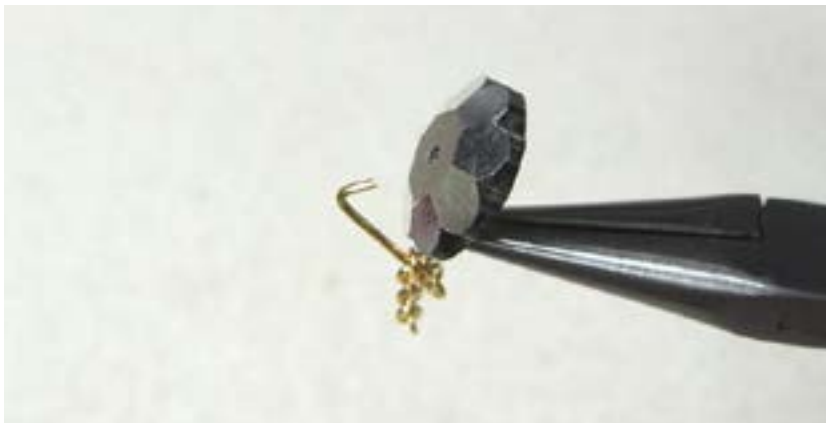
Step 10: Slip the 3-link piece of chain onto the tall triangle jump ring.



Step 11: Hook a 7-link piece of chain onto the same jump ring.



Step 12: Insert the prong of the jump ring through the hole of the 12mm margarita bead, making sure that it is face down on the opposite prong to the one you just hooked the 7-link chain onto. Press the prongs together through the margarita.



Step 13: Hook the medium jump ring through the bottom link of the 7-link chain.



Step 14: Then insert the prongs through the 10mm margarita making sure it is facing the same direction as the first margarita.



Step 15: Hook on the second 7-link chain.



Step 16: Press the two prongs together to secure the margarita.



Step 17: Hook one of the small jump rings through the bottom link of the chain. Insert the prongs through the 8mm margarita and close the jump ring.



Step 18: Hook the remaining triangle jump ring through the inner loop of the earring hoop.



Step 19: Insert the prongs through the star crystal and press the prongs together to secure the star.



Step 20: Open a 4mm jump ring and hook it through the outside loop on the top row of the mesh. Hook it through the bottom of the earring hoop and close it. Connect the second loop of the mesh to the hoop with a second jump ring.



Step 21: Open a third jump ring and hook it through the top link of the chain of margaritas.



Step 22: Before closing it, hook it onto the earring hoop, making sure the margaritas will be facing the front and then hook on the middle loop of the mesh. Hook the fourth and fifth loops of the mesh onto the earring hoop with jump rings.



Step 21: Open the loop of the earring wire and hook it through the top loop of the earring hoop, then close it securely. Make a second earring to match with the remaining components.



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