

Butterfly Suncatcher

Project C2008

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This butterfly suncatcher is a great summer craft to hang in your window to let the light dance through it so it can fill your room with light and color.

What You'll Need

Beadsmith Metal Wire Snowflake Forms - Fun Craft Beading Project 6 Inches

SKU: FCO-9022

Project uses 1 piece



Czech Fire Polished Glass Beads 3mm Round Crystal Clear (50)

SKU: BCP-3300

Project uses 12 pieces



Czech Fire Polished Glass Beads 6mm Round Pink Rose Opal (25)

SKU: BCP-3686

Project uses 6 pieces



Czech Fire Polished Glass Beads 6mm Round Citrine (25)

SKU: BCP-3617

Project uses 36 pieces



Czech Fire Polished Glass Beads 6mm Round - Opal Green (25)

SKU: BCP-10386

Project uses 4 pieces



Czech Fire Polished Glass Beads 8mm Round - Opal Green (25)

SKU: BCP-10436

Project uses 16 pieces



Czech Fire Polished Glass Beads 8mm Round Purple Amethyst Opal (25)

SKU: BCP-3852

Project uses 24 pieces



Artistic Wire, Silver Plated Craft Wire 28 Gauge Thick, 15 Yard Spool, Tarnish Resistant Silver

SKU: WCR-2830

Project uses 1 piece



Beadsmith Clear Illusion Monofilament Beading Cord .01 Inch (150 Ft.)

SKU: XCR-1315

Project uses 1 piece

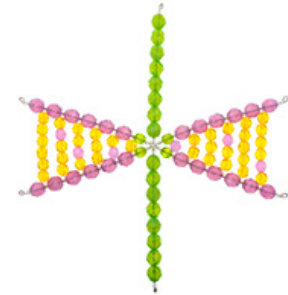


Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5700] Fiskars 5 Precision Tip Scissors - Super Sharp, [XTL-5600] Xuron Sharp Flush

Cutter Pliers - Wire/Soft Flex, [XTL-0034] Wubbers Classic Series Round Nose Quality

Jeweller's Pliers, [XTL-5610] Xuron Memory Wire Cutters Cutting Pliers -Strong & Easy,



[XTL-5608] Xuron 4 In 1 Crimping Pliers - Works On 1, 2 And 3mm Crimps!

Instructions

1. Please watch our video: How to Make Colorful Suncatchers with Wire Frames.
2. From what you learned in the video, string on the beads to two wire spokes directly across to each other in the following order: one 3mm crystal, eight 8mm opal green, and one 3mm crystal.
3. Take your round nose pliers and make a simple wire loop at the end of the spoke. If you would like you can use crimping pliers to secure the loop at the end.
4. To the two spokes clockwise to the one you just finished, string on one 3mm crystal, and one 6mm green opal on to each spoke.
5. Using your flush cutters, cut a length of wire about 4 inches. Wrap one end of the wire onto the wire spoke just outside the 6mm green opal bead. Onto the wire, string on one 6mm citrine bead. Wrap the tail of the wire around the next spoke just to the outside of the 6mm green opal bead. Trim the wire. Slide on one 8mm purple to each spoke.
6. Repeat the above process to make the rest of the connections for the wings. You can follow my placement of the 6mm rose beads by looking at the photo or you may use your own placement. Also note that you will need to cut off longer lengths of wire as you get towards the end of the "wing".
7. Here is my pattern for one wing: On the second wire, add one citrine and one rose. On the third wire, add three citrine beads. On the fourth wire, add two citrine beads, one rose bead, and one citrine bead. On the fifth wire, add one citrine bead, one rose bead, and three citrine beads. On the sixth wire, add six citrine beads.
8. When you have come to the ends of this wing, add one 3mm crystal beads to each spoke and make a simple wire loop.
9. Repeat the above process to complete the other "wing".
10. Here is my pattern for the other wing: On the first wire, add one rose bead. On the second wire, add two citrine beads. On the third wire, add three citrine beads. On the fourth wire, add one citrine bead, one rose bead, and two citrine bead. On the fifth wire, add five citrine beads. On the sixth wire, add four citrine beads, one rose bead and one citrine beads.
11. When you have come to the ends of this wing, add one 3mm crystal beads to each spoke and make a simple wire loop.
12. From the video, cut a length of illusion cord, 8 inches long. Thread it through one of the simple wire loops. Tie a double overhand knot forming a loop to hang your suncatcher.
13. All done!