

## December Sky Ornament

**Project C630** [Skill Level: Beginner]  
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Luxuriously elegant, this Swarovski bedecked holiday ornament will instantly become a treasured keepsake. Make one for yourself or to give as a gift.



## What You'll Need

Beadalon Silver Plated Crimp Beads 1.3mm (95 Beads)



SKU: FCR-1210  
Project uses 1 piece

Antiqued Silver Plated Full Openwork Flower Filigree Stamping 62mm (1)



SKU: PND-5723  
Project uses 2 pieces

SWAROVSKI ELEMENTS Crystal Beads, 5328 Bicone, 4mm, 24 Pieces, Crystal



SKU: SWBI-1400  
Project uses 60 pieces

SWAROVSKI ELEMENTS 3700 8mm Crystal Flower Margarita Beads Crystal Foiled (12)



SKU: SWC-85100  
Project uses 4 pieces

Tarnish Resistant Silver Color Copper Wire 26 Gauge 34 Yards (31 Meters)



SKU: WNT-2630  
Project uses 12 inches

Beadalon Beading Wire Silver Color 7 Strand .015 Inch / 30Ft



SKU: XCR-67523  
Project uses 12 inches

## Specialized Tools

Xuron Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - Wire/Soft Flex



SKU: XTL-5600

Standard Size Beading Crimping Pliers (For 2x2mm & 2x1mm Crimp Beads)



SKU: XTL-5200

Beadsmith Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat Nose



SKU: XTL-5511

## Instructions:

1. This entire project is demonstrated in the video How To Make A Filigree And Swarovski Crystal Ornament.
2. To get started, sandwich your two identical pieces of filigree together, so that the "good" side is facing out on both pieces.
3. Cut your 26 gauge silver wire according to the length in the video, and then following what you learned in the video, begin to wire wrap your Swarovski Crystal bicones. Follow all the directions in the video until you have wire wrapped all your beads on all 4 sides of the filigree.
4. Note that the video shows using a pear shaped Swarovski crystal pendant in the following step. I chose not to use one for this project, if you are interested, it is item number SWC-4000, a 16mm Swarovski pear pendant in crystal.
5. Cut a 12 inch length of beading wire.
6. String 6 Swarovski 4mm bicone beads and 1 silver plated crimp bead onto the beading wire. Slide all of these to the middle of the beading wire. Thread the beading wire through one of the openwork teardrop shape holes in the filigree. Make it so that 3 bicones are on each side. Take the beading wire tail (without the crimp bead) and thread it up through the crimp bead, going in the same direction as the other beading wire. Pull snug (you will have both tails sticking upwards.Crimp your crimp bead. DO NOT CUT WIRES.
7. Now thread onto each tail of beading wire: 5 bicones, 1 crimp bead, 5 bicones, 1 crimp bead, 5 bicones, 1 crimp bead, and 5 more bicones. Onto one of the tails, add another crimp bead. Take the tail without the crimp bead and thread it through the crimp bead on the other tail going in the opposite direction. Pull both wire tails tight. Crimp the crimp bead and cut off excess wire with flush cutters.
8. Happy Holidays!

## Variations

There are many different silver plated filigrees you can use to make a similar ornament to this. Here are a few examples:

When substituting in items, pay attention to sizes and styles to make sure all your pieces will fit together.

