

Candy Apple Ornament

Project C8012

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Intricate rows of silver-lined Miyuki round seed beads adorn bright red wood beads in this festive Christmas ornament. The beaded beads are wire wrapped using red craft wire, and hang from a handmade hook. A trio of mini jingle bells adds a cheery chime!

What You'll Need

Dyed Wood Beads, Smooth Large Hole Round 16mm, 12 Pieces, Red

SKU: BWD-1063

Project uses 3 pieces



Miyuki Round Seed Beads, 11/0 Size, 8.5 Gram Tube, #16 Silver Lined Green

SKU: DMRR-0016

Project uses 1 tube



Miyuki Round Seed Beads, 11/0 Size, 8.5 Gram Tube, #1 Transparent Crystal Silver Lined

SKU: DMRR-0001

Project uses 1 tube



TierraCast Antiqued Silver Plated Lead-Free Pewter Pandora Bead Aligners 7mm (4)

SKU: BMB-3170

Project uses 6 pieces



Multi-Color Steel Hollow Jingle Bell Beads 6mm (100)

SKU: BMB-5177

Project uses 3 pieces



Artistic Wire, Copper Craft Wire 20 Gauge Thick, 6 Yard Spool, Permanent Red Color

SKU: WCR-2024

Project uses 13 inches



FireLine Braided Beading Thread, 4lb Test and 0.005 Thick, 15 Yards, Crystal Clear

SKU: XCR-1280

Project uses 9 feet



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5600] Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - For Cutting Beading Wire, 1 Piece, [XTL-0020] Baby Wubbers Quality Fine Chain Nose Jeweller's Pliers, [XTL-0023] Baby Wubbers Quality Fine Bent Chain Nose Jeweller's Pliers, [XTL-0034] Wubbers Classic Series Round Nose Quality Jeweller's Pliers, [XTL-3021] Tulip Loom Work Beading Needles 90x0.5mm - 3 Pack, [XTL-0373] Tulip Premium Scissors, Gold Handle 5 Inch, 1 Pair, [XTL-6090] Beadsmith Wire Whacker - Wire Hardening For Wire Wrapping - Whack It!, [XTL-0032] Wubbers Bail Making Jewelry Pliers - Large 7mm & 9mm Size, [XTL-0277] ImpressArt Brass Hammer For Metal Stamping - 1 Pound - 1 Piece, [XTL-9920] Beadaholique Bead Mat, 12.5x9.25 Inches, 1 Piece







Instructions

This ornament measures 4.5 inches total in length.

- 1. Please watch the video: How to Add Rows of Seed Beads to Wood Beads. Based on what you have learned in the video, begin by using 22 gauge wire to secure one red 16mm wood bead using round beads and simple wire loops on either side.
- 2. Follow along with the video to create your beaded bead by stitching your rows of Miyuki 11/0 round seed beads around the wood bead. Note: for this design, you will be stringing sixteen seed beads in each row, with twelve rows on each wood bead. For two of the beaded beads, alternate six rows of green seed beads with six rows of white seed beads. For one of the beaded beads, alternate every bead on each row using green and white beads (see photo for reference). As you complete weaving each beaded bead, follow along with the video to remove the wire and metal beads from your beadwork. Set the beaded beads aside.
- 3. Next, cut three 3 inch lengths of 20 gauge red craft wire.
- 4. To connect your beaded beads: Take one length of wire, and use pliers to make a wrapped wire loop on one end. Onto the wire, slide one bead aligner with the core facing away from the loop. Slide on one of your beaded beads with solid rows of green and white. Then slide on another bead aligner facing the opposite direction, so that the cores of both bead aligners fit inside the beaded bead. Make another wrapped wire loop on the other side of the beads.
- 5. Repeat the above step, this time sliding on the beaded bead with mixed rows of green and white. Onto one of the wrapped wire loops, slide the loop on one side of your beaded bead from the previous step. Close the loop.
- 6. Take your third length of red craft wire and make a wrapped wire loop on one end, this time sliding on one of each green, silver, and red jingle bell before closing the wrap (Note: make sure your loop is at least 6mm wide in order to accommodate all three bells). Then slide on your third beaded bead in the same manner as described in the previous step. Create another wrapped wire loop on the opposite side of your beads, and latch it to the remaining wrapped wire loop on your beads from step 5 (see photo for reference).
- 7. To make your ornament hook, please watch the video: How to Make DIY Ornament Hooks. Cut approximately 4 inches of 22 gauge red craft wire, and follow along with the video to create your ornament hook.
- 8. To hang your ornament: Slide one side of your ornament hook onto the top loop of your ornament. All done!

As specified in the video, I secured the wood beads using the following placeholder beads and wire: 6mm fluted gold plated round beads (BMB-5064 and 2 inches of 22 gauge Artistic Wire (WCR-2230).