

Bumble Bee Earrings

Project E1103

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These earrings feature a pretty stamped bumble bee accentuated with black patina and a jet black accent bead.

What You'll Need

Nunn Design Antiqued Gold Plated Circle Flat Tag Pendant Link 1/2 Inch (2)

SKU: PND-6629

Project uses 2 pieces



Nunn Design Antiqued 24kt Gold Plated Leverback Earring Findings 18mm - 2 Pair

SKU: FEA-8226

Project uses 2 pieces



Czech Fire Polish Glass Beads 6mm Round Black Jet (25)

SKU: BCP-3690

Project uses 2 pieces



Vintaj Patina Opaque Permanent Ink - Black Onyx - 0.5 Ounce Bottle

SKU: XTL-9078

Project uses 1 bottle



22K Gold Plated 2mm Ball Head Pins 21 Gauge 1.5 Inch (20)

SKU: FHP-3020

Project uses 2 pieces



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-0957] Honey Bee Design Punch For Stamping Metal 1/4 Inch 6mm (1), [XTL-0248]

Eurotool Brass Mallet For Metal Smithing - 1 Pound, [XTL-6092] Beadsmith Solid Steel Bench

Block - Wire Hardening and Wire Wrapping Tool, [XTL-0254] Rubber Bench Block 4 x 4

Inches - Base for Steel Block, [XTL-5511] Beadsmith Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat

Nose, [XTL-5514] Beadsmith Jewelry Fine Round Nose Micro Pliers



Instructions

By following the instructions below, you will make one earring. Repeat all instructions to make the second earring.

1. Before you begin, watch the instructional video: How to Use Metal Punches.
2. Following the technique you learned in the video, punch the antique gold plated round flat tags with the bumble bee metal punch.
3. Apply some onyx Vintaj patina to the stamping and use a paper towel to wipe away the excess. Allow to dry.
4. Place a jet black fire polish bead onto a ball head pin. Create a simple wire loop after the bead.
5. Open the loop and hang the bead dangle from the flat tag; close the loop.

6. Open the loop on the the antique gold plated leverback earring hook and hang the earring; close the loop.