Parrot Bay Earrings

Project E2102

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Get festive and break out your maracas with these funky earrings complete with lemons and a swinging parrot.
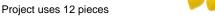
What You'll Need

Silver Plated With Colorful Enamel - Scarlet Macaw Tropical Bird Charm 33mm (1)

SKU: PND-8041

Project uses 2 pieces

Czech Glass Beads Glossy Mini Yellow Lemon Fruit Beads Wine Charms (12)

SKU: BCP-9032

Project uses 12 pieces

Silver Plated 3mm Round Metal Beads (100)

SKU: BMB-5052

Project uses 48 pieces

BeadSmith Crimp Tubes, 2x2mm, 100 Pieces, Silver Plated

SKU: FCR-1715

Project uses 4 pieces

Shiny Silver Tone Crimp Bead Covers 3mm (x144)

SKU: FCR-1053

Project uses 4 pieces

Silver Plated Ball Earring Hooks 18mm (10 Pairs)

SKU: FEA-3078

Project uses 2 pieces

Silver Plated Closed Jump Rings 8mm 19 Gauge (20)

SKU: FJR-4103

Project uses 2 pieces

BeadSmith Flex-Rite Beading Wire, 49 Strand .018 Thick, 10 Foot Spool, Pearl Silver

SKU: XCR-1236

Project uses 1 Foot

Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5511] Beadsmith Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat Nose, [XTL-5514] Beadsmith Jewelry Fine Round Nose Micro Pliers, [XTL-5600] Xuron Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - Wire/Soft Flex, [XTL-5608] Xuron 4 In 1 Crimping Pliers - Works On 1, 2 And 3mm Crimps!

Instructions

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

1. Cut off 6 inches of beading wire.

2. String one crimp tube and one closed jump ring on to the wire. Thread the wire back through the crimp tube, creating a loop and leaving a tail of about 1 inch. Pull snug. Crimp the crimp tube. Snip off the excess wire and cover the crimp tube with a crimp cover.

3. String on in this order: nine silver beads, one lemon bead, one silver bead, one lemon bead, one silver bead, one lemon bead, one silver bead, and one parrot charm. Repeat this pattern on the other side in the reverse order.

4. String on one crimp tube and thread it though the closed jump ring. Thread the wire back through the crimp tube, creating a loop. Pull snug. Crimp the crimp tube. Snip off the excess wire and cover the crimp tube with a crimp cover.

5. Open the loop of the earring finding the same way you would a jump ring and attach it to the closed jump ring so that the hook part faces the back of the parrot. Close the loop.

6. All done!

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