

Cobalt Drop Earrings

Project E3077

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Striking and bold, these cobalt blue and raw brass hammered earrings use sea glass and chain in an unexpected way. Push the envelope with this unique accessory.

What You'll Need

Raw Brass Bulk Chain, Hammered Heavy Rolo Links 6.5x12.5mm, 1 Foot, Brass

SKU: CHA-08046

Project uses 2 links



TierraCast 22K Gold Plated Pewter Stud Post Earrings Hammered 13.5mm 1 Pair

SKU: FEA-1526

Project uses 1 pair



Cultured Sea Glass Long Teardrop Beads 38x9mm - Royal Blue - 1 Strand

SKU: BGL-10146

Project uses 2 pieces



22K Gold Plated Head Pins - 21 Gauge 3 Inches (25)

SKU: FHP-05223

Project uses 2 pieces



14K Gold Filled Earring Backs - Ear Nuts (3 Pairs)

SKU: FEA-01120

Project uses 1 pair



22K Gold Plated Thick Heishe Spacers Beads 4.5mm x 2.5mm (144)

SKU: BMB-5216

Project uses 2 pieces



22K Gold Plated Open Jump Rings 4mm 21 Gauge (x100)

SKU: FJR-5240

Project uses 2 pieces



E6000 Industrial Strength Glue Adhesive (0.18 fl oz)

SKU: XTL-1054

Project uses 1 piece



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5600] Xuron Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - Wire/Soft Flex, [XTL-5514] Beadsmith Jewelry Fine Round Nose Micro Pliers, [XTL-5511] Beadsmith Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat Nose, [XTL-0073] Eurotool Large Double Nylon Jaw Jewelry Pliers - Round Nose



Instructions

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

1. Using your nylon jaw pliers, carefully open and remove one of the open link chains from your heavy hammered brass chain length.
2. Add a small dab of glue onto the bottom 1/4" mark of your sea glass bead. Carefully slide the chain link down the bead, securing it onto the glue. Close the chain link around the bead, as much as you can without chipping the sea glass bead or nicking the chain. See photo. Set the bead aside to dry for a few minutes.
3. Slide on your sea glass bead onto a 3" gold plated head pin. Next slide on a gold plated spacer bead. Create a wire wrapped loop using your round nose pliers. Snip off any excess wire using your flush cutters.
4. Next, open a gold plated jump ring using your chain nose pliers and slide on the loop from your hammered gold plated earring finding and also the wrapped wire loop from your bead dangle. Close the jump ring.
5. Add a gold plated ear nut to the back of your earring finding and you're done!