

Festive Topiary Earrings

Project E711

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Ornate beaded beads look just like Christmas topiary balls in these festive holiday earrings. Accenting the pretty globes are sparkling 8mm Czech Crystal bicones.

What You'll Need

Preciosa Czech Crystal, Bicone Bead 8mm, 12 Pieces, Light Siam

SKU: PCC-1845

Project uses 2 pieces



Preciosa Czech Crystal, Bicone Bead 4mm, 36 Pieces, Light Siam

SKU: PCC-1462

Project uses 60 pieces



Toho Round Seed Beads 11/0 #36 'Silver Lined Green Emerald' 8g

SKU: JSK-0023

Project uses 124 pieces



Head Pins, with Ball Head 2 Inches Long and 21 Gauge Thick, 20 Pieces, 22K Gold Plated

SKU: FHP-3022

Project uses 2 pieces



Earring Findings, Long Earring Hooks 25mm, 25 Pairs, Gold Plated

SKU: FEA-3030

Project uses 1 pair



Wildfire Thermal Bonded Beading Thread .006 Inch - Black - 50 Yd

SKU: XCR-8935

Project uses 8 feet



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5700] Fiskars 5 Precision Tip Scissors - Super Sharp, [XTL-5511] The Beadsmith

Jeweller's Micro Pliers Chain Nose Flat Nose, [XTL-5514] The Beadsmith Jewelry Fine Round

Nose Micro Pliers, [XTL-5600] Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - For Cutting Beading Wire, 1 Piece



Instructions

Don't forget to double these instructions to make your matched pair of earrings.

1. Start by watching the video: How to Make an Ornate Beaded Bead.

2. From what you learned in the video, make an ornate beaded bead using 4mm Czech Crystal bicones in Light Siam and 11/0 Toho silver lined green emerald seed beads. To start you will want to thread a needle onto each end of a 4 foot length of Wildfire beading thread and then create your beaded bead.

3. Onto a gold plated ball head pin place 1 Toho green seed bead, 1 Czech Crystal 8mm bicone in light siam, your beaded bead from the previous step, and 1 more seed bead. Create a simple wire loop after the last bead and trim off excess wire with flush cutters.
4. Open the simple wire loop you just made (the same way you would open a jump ring) and slip onto it the loop at the base of your earring hook. Close the loop back up.
5. Happy Holidays!