

Marching Nutcrackers Earrings

Project E771

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Small finely detailed nutcrackers dangle from elegant gold chains in this holiday-inspired earring set. These earrings are sure to garner attention and compliments at your next holiday party.

What You'll Need

22K Gold Plated 2mm x 2.4mm Cable Chain - By The Foot

SKU: CHA-2401

Project uses 4.5 inches

22K Gold Plated Head Pins - 21 Gauge - 2 Inches (50)

SKU: FHP-5220 Project uses 4 pieces



Glazed Ceramic Bead - Tiny Christmas Nutcracker 8.5x16mm (2)

SKU: BWC-3020

Project uses 4 pieces



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

SKU: FJR-5240

Project uses 2 pieces



TierraCast 22K Gold Plated Pewter Stud Post Earrings Small Beaded 8mm 1 Pair

SKU: FEA-1530

Project uses 2 pieces



Gold Tone Hypo Allergenic Bullet Clutch Earring Backs (x50)

SKU: FEA-1012

Project uses 2 pieces



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

Instructions

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

- 1. Start by cutting two lengths of chain: one that is .75" and one that is 1.5".
- 2. Place a nutcracker bead onto a head pin. Create a simple wire loop after the bead. Create a second one of these.
- 3. Open the simple wire loop on top of one of the nutcrackers (the same way you would open a jump ring) and connect it to the end chain link of one of your cut chains. Close the link. Repeat with your other nutcracker and your other cut piece of chain.





- 4. Open a 4mm jump ring and link onto it the end (non-nutcracker) link of each of your cut chains. Close the jump ring.
- 5. Open another jump ring and connect onto this the jump ring from the last step and as well as the loop at the base of your post earring. Close the jump ring.
- 6. Put an earring back onto our earring post.
- 7. Happy Holidays!