

Salton Earrings

Project E8055

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Silver accents illuminate these light-weight statement earrings featuring Zola Elements acetate pendants. The BeadSmith two-hole metal punch is used to add holes to the acetate, facilitating the attachment of three oval stamping blanks for embellishment. Flat cable chain dangles add texture and movement to the design.

What You'll Need

Zola Elements Acetate Pendant, Open Drop 22x31mm, 2 Pieces, Black Pearl Multi-Colored

SKU: PNT-099

Project uses 2 pieces



Sterling Silver Flat Cable Chain 2mm Wide x 3mm Long -Bulk- Sold By The Foot

SKU: CHA-1311

Project uses 8 inches



Silver Filled Blank Stamping 'Oval Charms' Jewelry Tags 12x6mm (2)

SKU: PND-3149

Project uses 6 pieces



Silver Filled Open Jump Rings 5mm 22 Gauge (24)

SKU: FJR-8071

Project uses 8 pieces



Silver Filled Long Flattened Ear Wire 18.5mm (10 Pieces)

SKU: FEA-1201

Project uses 2 pieces



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5600] Sharp Flush Cutter Pliers - For Cutting Beading Wire, 1 Piece, [XTL-0034]

Wubbers Classic Series Round Nose Quality Jeweller's Pliers, [XTL-0020] Baby Wubbers

Quality Fine Chain Nose Jeweller's Pliers, [XTL-9040] Beadsmith Brass Gauge Caliper

Measure & Convert Inches/Metric



Instructions

By following the instructions below, you will make one earring. Repeat all instructions to make the second earring. You will need a marking pen to complete this project.

1. Please watch the video: How to Punch Holes in Acetate Using the BeadSmith Two-Hole Metal Punch Tool.
2. Using what you have learned in the video, make one hole in the bottom center of your Zola Elements acetate pendant using the 1.5mm hole size on the tool. You can use the edge of your caliper or ruler to align your hole with the pre-existing hole at the top of your pendant.
3. Use your caliper or ruler to measure 7mm up either side from the center hole you made in step 2, and make two more holes in your pendant.

4. Use pliers to open a 5mm jump ring and slide on the hole of one oval stamping blank. Also slide on one of the holes on your acetate pendant that you made in step 1. Close the jump ring. Repeat this step to attach two more oval stamping blanks to your pendant.
5. Use flush cutters to cut five lengths of flat cable chain, ranging in length from 0.5 inch to 1 inch.
6. Open another jump ring and slide on the end links of each of your chains from step 3. Also slide on the top hole of your acetate pendant. Close the jump ring.
7. To attach your earring hook: first, use pliers to change the orientation of the loop on your earring hook. Then open the loop the same way you would open a jump ring, and slide on the jump ring at the top of your acetate pendant. Be sure that your chain dangles are facing forward (see photo for reference).
8. Enjoy your earrings!