

Satin Snowflake Earrings

Project E8071

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These frosty earrings are brick stitched with silk satin Miyuki Delica 11/0 seed beads in dusk blue and crystal tones. The design is finished using an earring hook with a light sapphire glass accent.

What You'll Need

Miyuki Delica Seed Beads, 11/0 Size, 6.8 Grams, Dusk Blue Silk Satin DB1811

SKU: DB-1811

Project uses 1 tube



Miyuki Delica Seed Beads, 11/0 Size, 7.2 Grams, Crystal Silk Satin DB635

SKU: DB-635

Project uses 1 tube



Silver Plated Earring Hooks With Crystal - Light Sapphire Blue Glass Crystal (10

SKU: FEA-9975

Project uses 2 pieces



Silver Plated Open Jump Rings 4mm 21 Gauge Thick (100)

SKU: FJR-5140

Project uses 2 pieces



FireLine Braided Beading Thread, 4lb Test and 0.005 Thick, 15 Yards, Crystal Clear

SKU: XCR-1280

Project uses 8 feet



Recommended Tools:

[XTL-3006] Beadsmith English Beading Needles Size 12 (4 Needles), [XTL-0373] Tulip Premium Scissors, Gold Handle 5 Inch, 1 Pair, [XTL-0023] Baby Wubbers Quality Fine Bent Chain Nose Jeweller's Pliers, [XTL-0020] Baby Wubbers Quality Fine Chain Nose Jeweller's Pliers

Instructions

By following the instructions below, you will make one earring. Repeat all instructions to make the second earring. Please note: This brick stitch pattern requires knowledge of increases and decreases. For additional tips, please watch this video.

1. If you are new to brick stitch, please watch the video: How to do Brick Stitch Bead Weaving. Please see our Printer Friendly PDF for Full Color Beading Pattern.
2. Based on the technique shown in the video, cut 4 feet of Fireline and begin your snowflake by weaving a ladder stitch base row. We recommend starting at the widest point in the snowflake and working toward one end of the pattern. Be sure to leave yourself a thread tail of at least 2 feet to continue and complete the bead weaving on the second half of your snowflake.
3. As you stitch your snowflake, you will need to make brick stitch increases and decreases according to the pattern. You may also find it useful to make



increases using ladder stitch.

4. Once your bead weaving is complete, send your needle up through the white bead on the end of your final row of brick stitch. String on one white bead, then thread your needle down through the other end bead on that same row, so that the bead sits sideways off the top of your snowflake. Weave in your thread, and clip the tail.

5. To attach your earring hook: Use pliers to open a 4mm jump ring and gently slide on the sideways seed bead you sewed on in the previous step. Also slide on the loop of your earring hook. Close the jump ring. Enjoy!

