

# “Raindrops on Roses” Earrings

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## Suggested Materials:

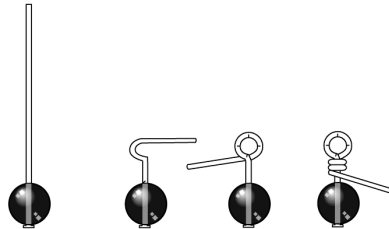
<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Name</u>
2	48-549-01-4	4-strand wavy spacer bars with loops, sterling silver
8	37-579	Ball-end head pins, sterling silver
10	37-024-5	Small triangle bails, sterling silver
1 pair	34-560-14	French hook ear wires, unbent, sterling silver
2	06-010-11-133	11mm Swarovski® briolettes, padparadscha
8	06-007-09-__	Swarovski small briolettes, multiple colors shown**
10	05-301-05-__	Swarovski faceted bicone beads, multiple colors shown**

(\*\*Colors shown are -17 light rose, -44 tanzanite, -160 crystal/silver shade, -19 light sapphire and -133 padparadscha

**Tools needed:** Round-nose pliers, chain-nose pliers, cutters

## To make this design:

1. String one crystal bicone onto one ball-end head pin. Insert this into the first hole of the spacer bar with the bead nestled inside the “wave.” Make a wrapped loop on the opposite side of the spacer bar (see illustration below for an example of creating wrapped loops).



2. Repeat step 1, adding three more bicone color choices to each of the four holes in the spacer bar.
3. Attach a small triangle bail to one small briolette of each color. Hang from loops made in step 1 and 2.

**TIP:** Trimming a small amount of wire (about 1mm) from each triangle bail will enable you to squeeze the bail closed further, fitting closer to the shape of the top of the briolette. This also keeps the fragile Swarovski crystal from unnecessary movement.

4. Attach a triangle bail to the 11mm briolette and hang from the end loop of the spacer bar.
5. Add one bicone crystal to the “leg” of the unbent ear wire and make a loop, attaching it to the top loop of the beaded spacer bar.
6. Repeat steps 1 through 5 for the second earring.

**TIP:** As opposed to the identical earrings shown, try attaching the beads in a pattern that mirrors the opposite earring (top bead faces left on one earring and right on the other earring etc.). This will create a more balanced, symmetrical pair of earrings.