

“Fireworks in the Park” Bracelet & Earrings Set

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Suggested Bracelet Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Name</u>
24"	#61-701-12	1mm braided cotton cord, medium brown
10	#26-814-06	6mm round beads, solid copper
6	#28-334-21	16mm puffed coin lampwork glass beads, bright multicolor/silver foil
3	#23-286-273	6mm glass roller beads, purple iris
1	#41-151-98-25-8	2.2mm center-crimp tube with hook, copper plate
1	#41-151-99-25-8	2.2mm center-crimp tube with loop, copper plate



Suggested Earring Materials:

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Name</u>
1 pr.	#34-003-8	French hook ear wires, niobium “copper”
2	#49-952-51-8	Triangular floral connectors, copper plate
4	#26-814-03	3mm round beads, solid copper
2	#20-399-548	20mm twisted glass bugle beads, teal/silver lined
2	#37-422-7	2” standard head pins, antiqued copper plate
4	#23-016-273	6x16mm glass dagger beads, purple iris
4	#37-123-8	3x4mm oval jump rings, copper plate

Tools: scissors, flat-nose pliers, round-nose pliers

To make the bracelet:

1. Leaving a tail to make the dangles, if desired, string one of the center-crimp tubes onto a doubled-over section of cord. Flatten the center of the crimp with standard round- or- flat-nose pliers.
2. String beads as desired, tying knots between each bead.
3. Complete with the other center-crimp tube and tie roller beads onto the tails.

TIP: Try using larger center-crimp tubes to make multistrand designs.

To make the earrings:

1. See tips for making earrings on back.

TIP: Oval jump rings are perfect when a small round jump ring is too small, but a large round jump ring distracts from the design.

Techniques for making earrings

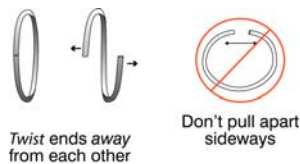
Basic earrings: Gently open the loop on the earring component, (see jump ring hint) and insert the earring dangle loop. Close the loop.

Chandelier Earrings: Attach charm or connector to earring component (see jump ring hint). Attach dangles by attaching beaded head and eye pins to charm or connector before closing the loop on the dangle.

Ear threads: Ear-thread designs can be changed every day. Just slide beads on and wear. The next day re-arrange yesterday's beads or slide on a whole new design! To keep beads in place use SmartBeads or Bead Bumpers™.

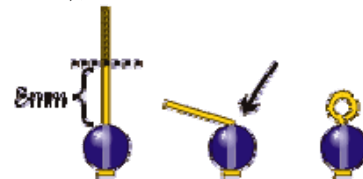
Jump Ring Hint:

When you open and close jump rings, twist sideways instead of "ovalling" them. This keeps their shape better, which makes them easier to close all the way.



To make nice loops on head or eye pins:

1. String selected beads on the head or eye pin.
2. Keep about 8mm (1/3") of wire. Cut off any extra.
3. Use round-nose pliers to grasp the wire just above the bead (at the arrow), and bend sharply away from you.
4. Now use small round-nose pliers to grasp the tip of the wire, and bend it smoothly around the pliers down close to the beads.



To make nice wire-wrapped beaded head and eye pins:

(For best results, use both chain-nose and round-nose pliers.)

1. Use chain-nose pliers to grasp the wire just above the top of the bead.
2. Use your fingers to bend the wire sharply over the top of the pliers, at a 90° angle. You should have 2-3mm of straight wire between the bead and the bend (less for fine-gauge wire, more for heavy wire or more wraps).
3. Use round-nose pliers to grasp a spot just above the bend, and use your fingers to smoothly bend the wire all the way around the tip of the pliers. (For different sizes of loops, bend the wire around thinner or thicker portions of the pliers' tip.)
4. Now use round-nose pliers to grasp the wire firmly across the loop. Use your fingers or chain-nose pliers to carefully wrap the wire around the stem. For best control, experts recommend you break this step into a series of half wraps.
5. Trim excess with flush cutters.

