

“Cluster” Earrings

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Suggested Materials:

<u>Stock</u>	<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Name</u>
#53-509-08	1 pair	French hook ear wire
#05-020-03-156	8	3mm Swarovski® crystal beads, purple violet
#05-020-04-156	10	4mm crystal beads, purple violet
#05-020-06-156	2	6mm crystal beads, purple violet
#37-552	18	Ball-end head pin, sterling
#37-591	2	Fancy head pin, sterling



Tools: Round-nose pliers, chain-nose pliers, side cutters

To make this design:

1. Using a ball-end head pin, create eight looped “dangles” out of the 3mm crystals. Use illustration 1 as a guide for shaping the loop around your round-nose pliers. Do not wrap your wire around the pin.
2. Cut excess wire, and leave the loop slightly open to attach to your earring chain (see illustration 2).
3. Use the same technique to create 10 more dangles out of 4mm crystals. Leave loops slightly open.
4. Create two final dangles using the fancy head pin and the 6mm crystals. Leave loops slightly open.
5. Attach the 6mm crystal dangle to the bottom link on the earring chain. Add two 5mm dangles to the top loop of the fancy eye pin’s loop.
6. Add one 5mm dangle to each of the three links above the 6mm dangle.
7. Add two 3mm dangles to each of the two links above the 5mm dangles.
8. Add one 3mm dangle roughly 1/4th of an inch above the last dangle in step 7.
9. Add the final 3mm dangle roughly three links above the last dangle in step 8.

TIP: If attaching the loops to this tiny chain becomes frustrating, feel free to modify this design by attaching dangles to each other. Once you’ve added as many as three, the remaining dangles can be attached to the eye-pin loops instead of the chain.

10. Repeat steps 5 through 9 for the second earring.

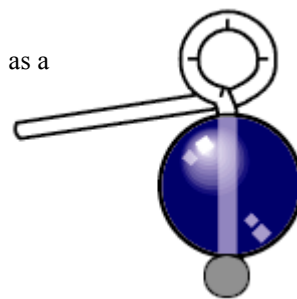


Illustration 1



Illustration 2