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Macrame
Crystal Hoops



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What You'll Need

Czech Preciosa Crystal Bicornes, 6mm Jonquil AB, SKU 10686760

.025in Round Memory Wire, Large Bracelet, SKU 10376078

Nylon Knotting Cord, SKU 10393570

Stainless Steel Ear Wires, SKU 10697700

6mm Stainless Steel Jump Rings, SKU 10697688

Beading Mat, SKU 10348546

Precision Scissors, SKU 10591717

Memory Wire Shears, SKU 10332397

Bail Forming Pliers, SKU 10223254

Chain Nose Pliers, SKU 10443524

Thread Burner, Lighter, or Fabric Glue

Intermediate Macrame

1 Hour Class



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Big hoops are trending big this season! We will make them even more amazing with sparkling crystal and colorful knots! In this class we will use a basic macrame technique to embellish a hoop of memory wire with Czech bicone crystals. Use any color cord and crystal you like, or make a bunch!

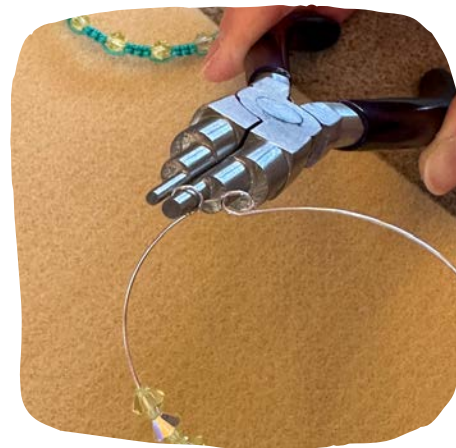
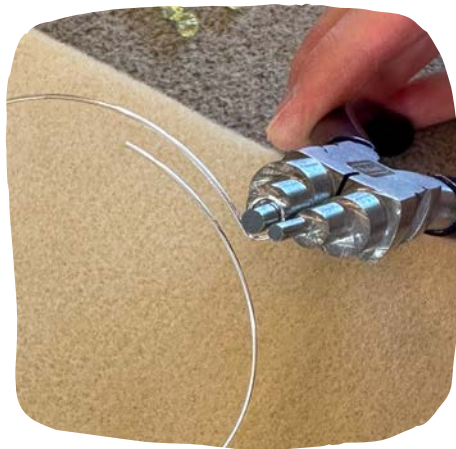
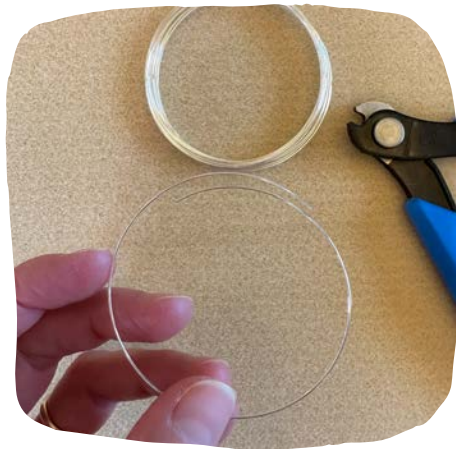
In this document we will use the following abbreviations:

B6 - 6mm Bicone Crystal

Hoop - Refers to the memory wire hoop component made in Step 1.

Step 1

Cut an overlapping hoop of memory wire. The memory wire should make a complete circle around, plus about 1 inch. Make sure to use memory wire shears for cutting, as memory wire will damage regular flush cutters. Using the second largest setting on your bail forming pliers, form a loop with one end of the memory wire. String on 12 B6. Form a matching loop on the open end.



Step 2

Cut a 60 inch length of knotting cord. Refer to the photos below. Make a lark's knot as shown. Make a loop with the cord where the short tail is close to the top as shown, and slide it under the hoop (fig 1). Figures 2 and 3 show bringing the short tail cord and long working side up over the memory wire hoop through the cord loop. Figures 4 and 5 show the tightening of this lark's knot onto the hoop.



Fig 1



Fig 2



Fig 3



Fig 4



Fig 5



Fig 6

Step 3

Use the long, working side of the cord to make hitch knots over the hoop and tail cord. For the first three hitch knots we form, hold the short, tail side of the cord so that it gets covered in the knots with the hoop. Figure 6 shows holding the position of the short end while beginning to form the first half of a hitch knot. The first hitch knot begins by forming a loop placed on top of the hoop (fig 6).

Step 3 continued

Pass the long cord under the hoop, then up through the cord loop (fig 7). Form the second half of the hitch knot by passing the cord behind the hoop, leaving a loop (fig 8) then bringing the cord in front of the hoop and up through the loop (fig 9).

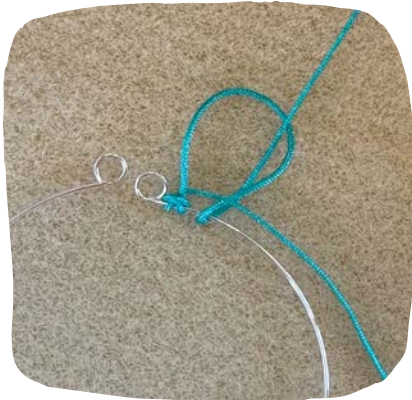


Fig 7



Fig 8



Fig 9

Step 4

Repeat Step 3 twice more to form a total of four hitch knots, including the Step 2 starting lark's knot (fig 11). Each knot has a "hat" that you can count as one knot. Trim the remaining short cord where it exits after the last knot. Burn the end using a lighter or thread burner (optional).



Fig 10



Fig 11

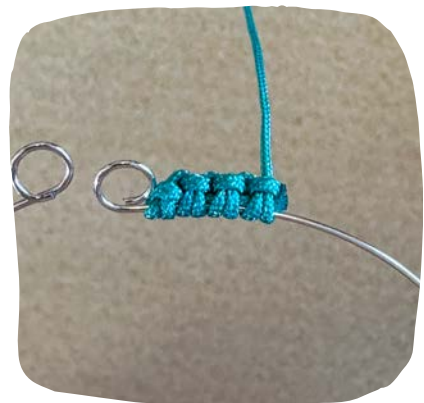


Fig 12

Step 5

Slide up one of the crystals. Jump the cord over it and begin forming hitch knots on the other side of it. Bring your cord in front of the hoop for the first half of the first knot (fig 13), then bring the cord behind the hoop and up through the loop (fig 14).

Alternate starting the cord behind and in front of the hoop from there. Form a total of three knots, then slide up another crystal and repeat for a total of twelve crystals.



Fig 13

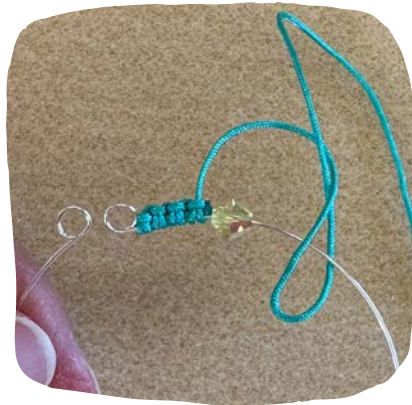


Fig 14



Fig 15

Step 6

Finish with four knots after the last crystal. Trim the remaining cord end a little above the last knot, then use a lighter or thread burner to melt it down and fuse (fig 16). You can also trim and use a little fabric glue if preferred.

Open a 6mm Jump ring and join the two top hoops of the memory wire hoop together. Open the eye on an ear wire and link it to the jump ring.



Fig 16

