

## "Hazy Lake" Earrings

## **Special Care Instructions**

CLEAN EARRINGS WITH SOFT MICROFIBER CLOTH AFTER EVERY WEAR. Keep earrings stored in a soft pouch separate from other jewelry so that crystals do not get scratched.

If needed, earrings may be washed in warm water with mild soap (non-detergent) using a clean soft cloth. Dry with clean, soft cloth or blow dry with hairdryer.

EARRINGS SHOULD **NOT** BE CLEANED IN A STEAM OR ULTRASONIC CLEANER as damage could occur to the crystal. Also, do not use abrasives to clean these earrings since abrasives could scratch the crystal.

All silver can tarnish, even fine silver (99.9% pure silver). Tarnish can be easily removed on white fine silver by a quick dip in liquid silver cleaner specifically made for jewelry. Keep in mind that fine silver is a very soft precious metal, and therefore, earrings should be in contact with silver jewelry cleaner for only a second and then immediately rinsed off thoroughly with water. We also recommend washing earrings in soapy water (mild soap - not a detergent) to remove any residue left by some silver cleaners, followed by another thorough rinse with water. If cleaning off tarnish with a silver paste, it should be in contact with silver just a second or two and then thoroughly rinsed off. Again, we would recommend washing in soapy water to remove any residue followed by a thorough second rinse. It is very important not to use a silver jewelry cleaner too often. Silver iewelry cleaners should be used not at all or as infrequently as possible because they are very harsh and ultimately can permanently damage fine silver, as well as silver alloys, and negatively affect appearance. We include anti tarnish bags with every silver jewelry

purchase (other than pearl & silver jewelry), and we recommend that silver jewelry be kept in anti-tarnish bags when not worn. Most anti-tarnish bags should be replaced at least every 2 years for optimum performance.

Do not wear earrings while sleeping, swimming, showering, bathing, exercising, playing sports, working with chemicals, or house cleaning. It is recommended that earring stoppers be worn with these earrings to reduce likelihood that an earring will slip out of ear and get damaged or lost. Do not comb or brush hair with earrings on – one could get caught in comb or brush and get pulled out of ear. Put earrings on only after grooming, and take off first before retiring. Be careful - do not drop crystal earrings or bang against hard surface – crystals can chip or break.

See Gems 101 for more jewelry care information.