Instructions for 'Refill - Loom Statement Earrings in Helsinki' Kit

Project XE-SP-025JZ [Skill Level: Intermediate]

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Project Components | NOTE: To account for potential mistakes, there may be extra pieces of some types of findings.

2 - silver slide ends		2 - silver eye pins 22g 1inch
1 - silver earring hooks		2 - swarovski crystal baroque bead
1 - matte black seed beads		1 - black nymo thread
1 - matte white seed beads		6 - swarovski crystal bicone crystal
1 - silver seed beads	7	2 - silver 22g headpins

Recommended Tools (not included)

Beading Needle, Chain Nose Pliers, Cutters, Round Nose Pliers, Scissors

Techniques Taught:

How to make a simple wire loop, How to open a jump ring, How to tie an overhand knot, How to use a Bead Loom

Instructions: For video instructions, go to www.beadaholique.com/how-to-maXE-the-loom-statement-earring-kits-by-beadaholique.html

By following the instructions below you will make one earring. Repeat all instructions to make the second earring.

- 1. To begin, you will set up your loom*. Take the end of your thread (keeping it on the spool, do not cut a length) and tie a knot on one of the underneath button pegs. Count 16 grooves over and on the 16th groove, lay your thread into the groove. Stretch your thread across the loom and insert it into the 16th groove on the other side of the loom. Loop around the underside button peg, and then bring your thread back up and lay your thread into the 17th groove, stretch your thread across the loom and lay your thread into the 17th groove on that side. Loop around the back peg and continue going back and forth on the loom until you have 16 warp threads in place. Once you have the 16 threads in place, tie a knot around the end peg and cut off your thread.
- 2. Cut 6 feet of thread. Try to smooth it out by running your fingers over it and pulling on it a little. Thread it onto your loom needle.
- 3. Look at the pattern that comes with your kit. Pick up the 15 beads that make up row 1 of your pattern.
- 4. Keeping these beads on your needle, position them underneath your warp threads, about 1.5 inches from the end of your loom, and then press them up between the warp threads. You have 16 warp threads which means there are 15 rows to fill with your 15 beads. Keeping them pressed upwards with your finger holding them in place, carefully pull your needle out of the beads and keep pulling until you have a tail of thread around 12 inches long. Go back through your beads on the top side of the warp threads.
- 5. String on the next row of 15 beads onto your needle and repeat the previous step. Continue to do this for your entire pattern. Make sure each row of beads sits snuggly next to the previous row.
- 6. To tie off your weft thread tail, run it through a few beads of the adjacent row of beads. Bring your needle up between two beads. Tie a small knot, catching your needle under a weft thread bridge, and then go through a few more beads. When you do this, it should hide the knot between the beads. Do this several times so that you have at least 2-3 knots. Once you have your knots, go through several more beads and then trim your tail. Repeat this technique to tie off your weft thread tail at the beginning.
- 7. Cut your beadwork off the loom by cutting near the back button peg.
- 8. Looking at one side, tie the 1st and 2nd warp thread together into an overhand knot*. Then tie another overhand knot with those same threads. Now tie the 3rd and 4th threads into an overhand knot. Then tie another overhand knot with those same threads. Continue for the rest of the threads in pairs. You may want to use scotch tape of a stick note to help keep them separated as seen in the video.

- 9. Gather threads 1 and 2 and tie them into an overhand knot with threads 3 and 4. Then tie another overhand knot with these same threads. Those 4 threads are now done. Move onto the next group of 4 threads (thread 5, 6, 7, and 8) an repeat the previous steps until they are all knotted together. Repeat again with the next group of 4 threads (threads 9, 10, 11, and 12). Repeat again with the next group of 4 threads (threads 13, 14, 15, and 16). When everything is done, you will have 4 large knots on this side of the earring.
- 10. Repeat the previous step on the other side.
- 11. Tape your threads to a table or work area so that you can easily view your knots. Do this on both sides of the bracelet. Using a toothpick or scrap piece of wire, place a dab of E6000 glue onto all of the knots. Let dry for about 30 minutes. Trim all your threads close to the knots but making sure not to cut the knots.
- 12. Using a toothpick or scrap piece of wire, place some E6000 glue into the barrel portion of the slide end. Just a little glue is fine, you do not need to fill it. Carefully insert the last row of beads on one side of your earring into the slide end via the opening slot. You will be essentially covering up the first row of beads with the slide end and the slide end will be sliding between rows 1 and 2. Using a pair of chain nose pliers or just the pressure of your work table, press/bend the tab at the end of the clasp over to seal the beads in place.
- 13. Repeat the previous step on the other side.
- 14. Take one eye pin and string on one bicone and make a simple wire loop* that goes perpendicular to the bottom loop. Trim any excess wire and set aside.
- 15. Take one headpin and string on one bicone bead, one baroque bead (largest portion first), and one more bicone bead. Make a simple wire loop. Trim any excess wire.
- 16. Open the loop, same as you would a jump ring*, and attach it the bottom loop of the slide end. Close the loop.
- 17. Open the loop of the eye pin and attach it to the top loop of the slide end. Close the loop.
- 18. Open the loop of the earring finding, and attach it to the top loop of the eye pin. Close the loop and you're all done!

We recommend waiting at least 24 hours before wearing for the glue to fully set to a strong bond.

*To see how to do this technique, please refer to the included techniques guide. Thank you!

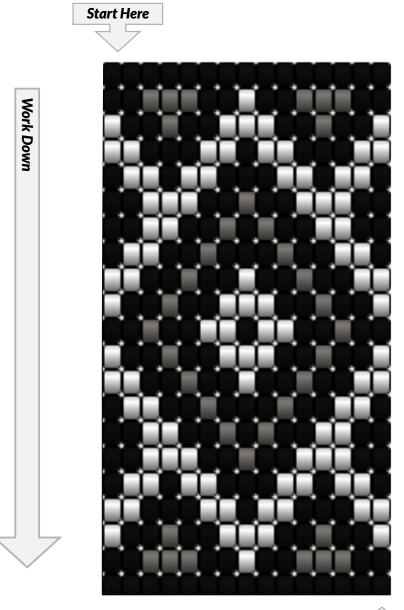
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