Rhingstong Bead Caps

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Supplies: for each cap 17 Jump Rings 20g 1/8" Silver Frost 5 Montee Beads 4mm Aquamarine

Tools:

2 pairs of flat, chain, chisel and/or bent nose pliers

This written tutorial was made to accompany our tutorial showing how to make Rhinestone Bead Caps and Shrinket Bead Caps.



1. Close 2 jump rings and open 15 jump rings. Begin the first element by passing a rhinestone diagonally through 2 holes of your first rhinestone montee bead. Now, pick up and additional rhinestone bead onto the same jump ring fand close jump ring. Use 1 jump ring and pass diagonally through the remaining 2 holes of the rhinestone bead just added, then, pass diagonally through a second rhinestone bead (make sure it faces same direction) and close jump ring. Pass a jump ring through the rhinestone bead just added, pick up a new montee on the same jump ring and close jump ring. Continue until you have 5 rhinestone beads.



2. Use 2 open jump rings one at a time and pass through the 2 closed jump rings (center) and the first jump ring of the rhinestone strip. Close each jump ring as it is applied.





3. Use 2 open jump rings one at a time and pass through the 2 closed jump rings (center) and the second jump ring of the rhinestone strip. Close each jump ring as it is applied.



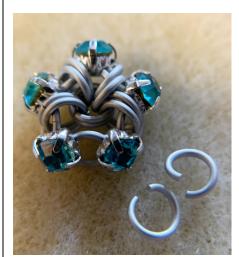
4. Use 2 open jump rings one at a time and pass through the 2 closed jump rings (center) and the third jump ring of the rhinestone strip. Close each jump ring as it is applied



5. Use 2 open jump rings one at a time and pass through the 2 closed jump rings (center) and the fourth jump ring of the rhinestone strip. Close each jump ring as it is applied



6. Use an open jump ring to connect the first rhinestone to the fifth rhinestone in the strip. Close jump ring. Use 2 more open jump rings one at a time to connect this jump ring to the center jump rings. Close each jump ring as it is applied.





How to Wire Wrap:

1. If head pin wire is not straight, pull the wire through nylon jaw pliers a few times. This will straighten the wire. Place bead onto head pin.





2. Use flat nose pliers and bend the wire at a 90 degree angle where it exits the bead.



3. Use round nose pliers about 1/8" above the bend and begin to form a loop. Use non dominant hand to help the end of the wire into a full loop that crosses the base of the wire by the bead. Tilt the loop toward the end of the wire.



4. Hold loop with flat nose pliers and use non dominant hand to wrap wire around it's base 2 to 3 times.



5. Use wire cutters to cut remaining wire off as close to the base as possible



6. Use chain nose or a pair of crimp pliers to flatten the end of wire that might be sticking out still.



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