Greater Beadgraff United

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Kit

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Coiled Wire and Crystal Bicones Necklace and Earrings

Materials for Necklace

- 12 8mm crystal bicones (CGB45C)
- 15 grams 10/0 seed beads (SB10)
- 28 cms long link cable chain (C30)
- 1 reel 0.8mm wire, silver (S1/0.8mm)
- 1 reel 0.6mm wire, coloured (S3C/0.6mm)
- 0 5mm jump rings (JF15)
- 10 9mm thick jump ring (JF14A)
- 1 12mm lobster clasp (JF84A)

Materials for Earrings for Necklace

- 2 8mm crystal bicones (CGB45C)
- 10/0 seed beads (SB10)
- 0.8mm wire, silver (S1/0.8mm)
- 0.6mm wire, coloured (S3C/0.6mm)
- 2 50mm headpins (JF18)
- 1 pair fish hook earrings (JF57)

Recommended Tools (not included):

- Coiling gizmo (S134)
- 3-in-1 pliers (S159)

Instructions for Necklace

Start by making the seed bead coils, using the coiling gizmo. Thread 50 seed beads onto the end of the reel of coloured wire and then attach it securely to the larger rod handle on the coiling gizmo. Coil the wire about 6 times round the rod

then push the seed beads up the wire and start to wind on the wire with the seed beads making sure you keep the wire taut. When all the beads have been coiled, make another 6 coils with just the wire so that the ends of the bead match. Trim the ends of the wire neatly and, if necessary, smooth the ends with a file. Make 6 beads like this. Then thread a piece of the silver wire through the bead and make a loop each end. Repeat with the other beads.

Next, make the heart pendant. Attach the coloured wire as before and make a long coil about 14 cms long. Trim the ends. Then, cut a piece of silver wire about 16 cms long and make a loop on one end. Thread it through the coil. Then bend the coil in the middle and at each end to form a heart shape, before making another loop. Thread a 9mm jump ring through the two loops to secure them together.

Then thread 12 bicones on headpins and made loops to attach them to the jump ring so they sit in front of the heart. Connect the jump ring on the heart pendant to the loop of a beaded bead. Add another jump ring to the loop on the other end of the bead.

Then assemble the necklace by threading this 9mm jump ring on the end of the pendant through the loops at the ends of two more beads. Using 9mm jump rings, attach another two beads to one side. Then add a length of chain 14 cms long with a jump ring. Attach a lobster clasp to one side with a jump ring. Repeat on the other side and add a jump ring to finish the clasp.

Instructions for Earrings

Make a bead as before, thread a piece of silver wire through it and make a loop each end. Thread a bicone on a headpin and make a loop to attach it to the bead. Attach the other end of the bead to a fish hook finding. Repeat for the other earring.

