

Wire Wrapped Bead Dangles

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Materials

1 Large-Hole 10-12mm Briolette or Tear Drop Bead 1 Piece 9cm 22 Gauge Round Wire Needle Nose Pliers Round Nose Pliers Wire Cutters



Step 1

Add your bead to a 9 cm piece of 22 gauge wire. If the bead can accommodate a larger gauge wire, please feel free to use it, if you like.

Create a hook around the bead, leaving a short 1 cm tail on one side and a longer 8 cm tail on the other side.



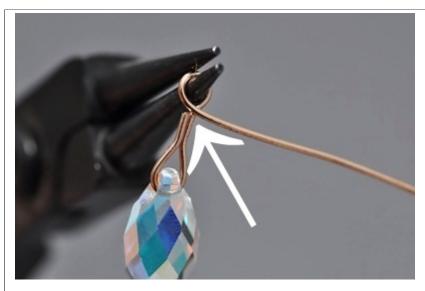
Step 2

With needle nose pliers, pinch the tails together, just above the top of the bead.



Step 3

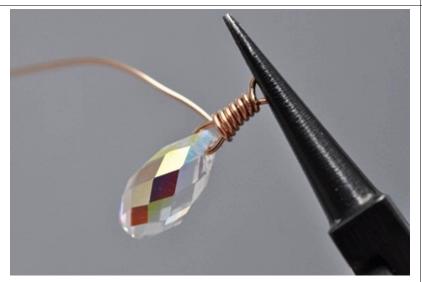
Trim excess wire from the 1 cm tail, leaving only 2-3 mm of wire above the pinch.



Step 4

Using round nose pliers, create a small loop with the long tail, just above the short tail.

At this time, you can add the dangle to a closed loop (on a earring or pendant). Or add to a jump ring once finished.



Step 5

For leverage, grip the loop with a pair of needle nose pliers.

With the long tail, begin to coil around the short tail.

You can coil over the top of the bead if you like, then carry the tail up to the loop to secure, or you can end the coil above the bead.



Step 6

Trim excess wire with wire cutters and pinch with needle nose pliers to secure.



This is your finished wire wrapped bead dangle.

An easy way to embellish earrings or other wire wrapped pieces, simply attach bead dangles to small pieces of chain, directly to ear wires, or to closed loops on pendants.

Enjoy and happy weaving!

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