

Color Explosion Earrings

Supplies Needed

#85022009 Glass Seed/E-Bead Rainbow Value Pack w/ Plastic Storage Box (1 pk)
#61215103 White/Tan/Gold 6/0 E-Bead Mix, 40G (1 pk)
#34718102 Gold Metal Cable Chain, 30" (1 pk)
#34712001 Gold Findings Starter Pack, 145 pc. (1 pk)
#40000538 Rubber Fr. Wire Earring Backs, 36 pc. (1 pk) (optional but helps keeps earrings from falling off the ear)

Tools & Other Supplies Needed

Needle Nose Pliers Round Nose Pliers Wire Cutters Ruler 7-8mm "cheater" bead (optional but helpful used as a cutting guide for forming equal size loops)

Techniques to Know

Form a Loop Cutting Chain

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Arrange eight different colored seed beads into a pattern and slide them onto an eye pin, add a gold e-bead, and repeat the pattern of seed beads one more time. *Trim the shank of the eye pin and form a loop that matches the loop on the other end of the eye pin. (*If you have a 7-8mm bead, slide that onto the end of the eye pin and cut the shank of the eye pin directly after the bead. This cutting guide helps keep all loops the same size.)
- 2. Slide the same pattern of seed beads onto a head pin, add a gold e-bead, and repeat the pattern of seed beads one more time. Trim the shank of the head pin and form a loop as in the previous step. Attach the loop on top of the beaded drop to a loop of the beaded link from the previous step.
- 3. Repeat steps 1 & 2 four more times.
- 4. Cut two 1-link lengths of chain, two 2-link lengths of chain, and one 3-link length of chain. Attach the 1-link chains to the top loop of two of the bead link/drops. Attach the 2-link and 3-link bead link/drops to the top loop of the remaining bead link/drops.

- Slide the following e-beads and links of chains you attached to the bead link/drops (from previous step) onto an eye pin: gold e-bead, 1-link of chain, gold e-bead, other end of a 2-link length of chain, gold e-bead, other end of the 3-link of chain, gold e-bead, other end of a 2-link of chain, gold e-bead, 1-link of chain, and a gold e-bead.
- 6. Slide the "cheater" bead onto the end of the eye pin and cut the shank of the eye pin flush to the end of the "cheater" bead. Form a loop to equal the size of the loop on the other end of the eye pin. Make sure the loops on each end of the eye pin are facing the same direction.
- 7. Cut an 11-link length of chain. Attach the loop of an ear wire to the middle link. Use a 4mm jump ring to connect the links on each end of the chain to the loops on the sides of the eye pin.
- 8. Repeat steps 1-7 for the matching earring.

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner Approximate Crafting Time: 1-2 Hours