



Super Duper Hoops
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Super fast! Super fun! Super wearable!

TECHNIQUE: Stitching with two-hole beads, half hitches, ending thread, using pliers

SKILL: All beaders

FINISHED LENGTH: 2" minus the ear wire

MATERIALS for one pair of earrings

30 Superduos

20 size 8° seed beads

44 size 11° seed beads

8 size 15° seed beads (same color as 11°)

2 size 30mm beading hoop w/hole

One pair of ear wires

6lb Fireline™

2 size 11 or 12 beading needles

Chain nose pliers

Scissors or thread Zap

TIP: Make sure all holes are clear in multi-holed beads before stitching.

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FIGURE 1

Step 1. With the back of the hoop facing you, use pliers to gently pull the hoop wire out of the smooth side of the top housing.

Step 2. Flexing the hoop like you would open a jump ring, string an 8°. String a SuperDuo and an 11° four times. String a SuperDuo and an 8°.

Step 3. Using pliers, gently reinsert the hoop wire back into the top housing.

FIGURE 2

Step 4. Place a needle on each end of 24 inches of Fireline.

Step 5. With one needle, string an 11° and sew through the bottom hole of an end SuperDuo. Add one SuperDuo between each of the next five SuperDuos. String one 11° and center the beads on the thread.

Step 6. With one needle, skip the 11° and sew through all the SuperDuos (**black thread**). Repeat with the second needle (**red thread**).

FIGURE 3

Step 7 (black thread). On one needle, string an 8° and an 11° and sew through the bottom hole of the next SuperDuo. String a 15° and a SuperDuo and sew through the next SuperDuo. String a SuperDuo and sew through the next SuperDuo. String a SuperDuo and a 15° and sew through the end SuperDuo.

Step 8 (red thread). On the second needle, string an 8° and an 11°. Sew through the SuperDuo, 15°, five SuperDuos, 15° and the end SuperDuo.

FIGURE 4

Step 9 (black thread). On one needle, string an 11°, an 8°, and an 11°. Sew through the bottom hole of the next SuperDuo. String a 15° and a SuperDuo and sew through the next SuperDuo. String a SuperDuo and a 15° and sew through the end SuperDuo.

Step 10 (red thread). On the second needle, string an 11°, an 8°, and an 11°. Sew through the SuperDuo, 15°, three SuperDuos, 15° and the end SuperDuo.

FIGURE 5

Step 11 (black thread). On one needle, string an 11°, an 8°, and an 11°. Sew through the bottom hole of the next SuperDuo. String a SuperDuo and sew through the next SuperDuo.

Step 12 (red thread). On the second needle, string an 11°, an 8°, and an 11°. Sew through all three SuperDuos.

FIGURE 6

Step 13. On one needle, string an 8° and an 11°, and sew through the SuperDuo (**black thread**). Repeat with the second needle (**red thread**)

FIGURE 7

Step 14 (black thread). One on needle, string three 11°s and sew again through the SuperDuo to form a picot over the SuperDuo. Sew through all the seed beads on the side of the earring. Secure thread within the beadwork and trim excess.

Step 15 (red thread). With the second needle, sew through the three 11°s of the picot and back through the SuperDuo. Sew through all the seed beads on the side of the earring. Secure thread within the beadwork and trim excess.

Step 16. Open an ear wire and string onto the housing hole of the hoop with the front of the housing facing front.

Make the second earring!



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Gently opened wire hoop



First row of beads

FIGURE 1

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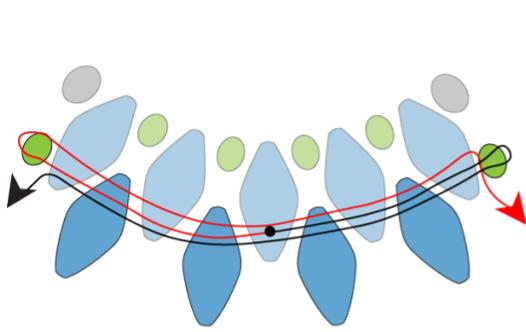


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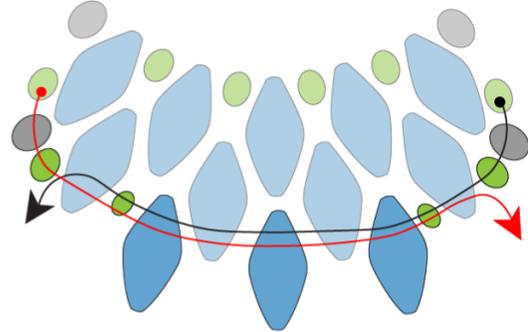


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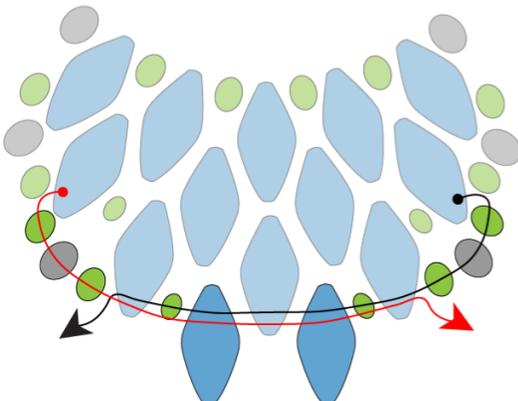


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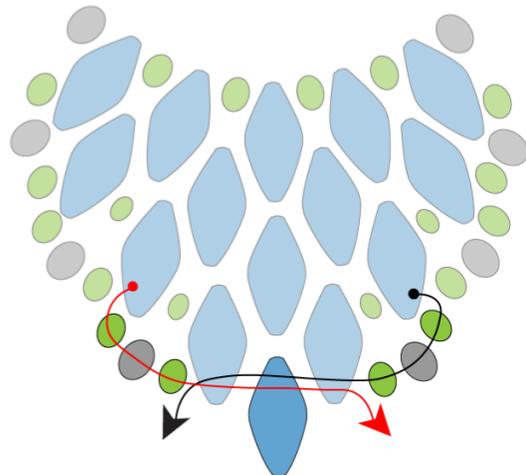


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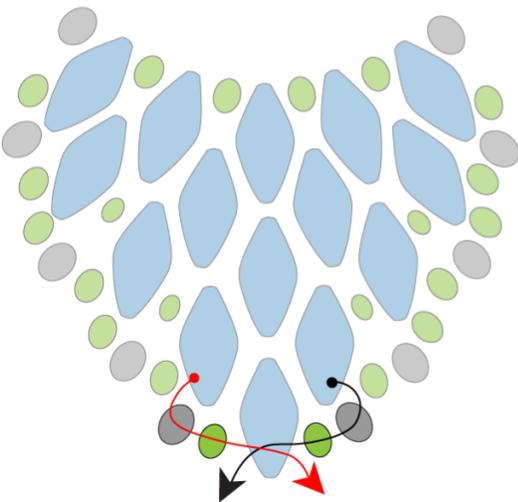


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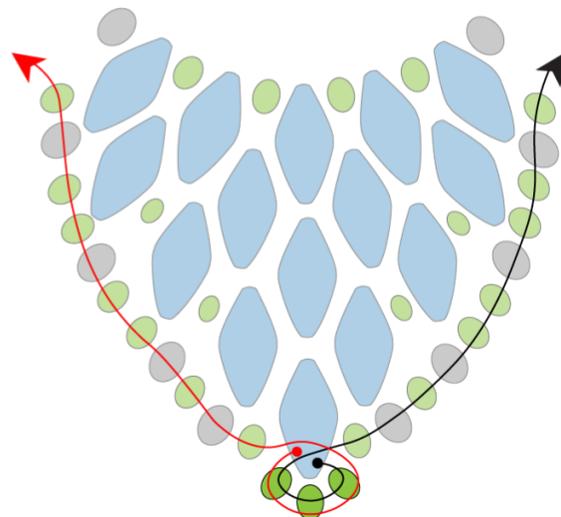


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