

Songbird by FusionBeads.com



Approximate finished length: 7.5 inches

Beads and other products needed for one pair of earrings:

- 4 - 4mm Light Topaz Swarovski Elements Crystal Bicone Beads (04BI1136)
- 4 - 4mm Olivine Swarovski Elements Crystal Bicone Beads (04BI1117)
- 4 - 4mm Blue Zircon Swarovski Elements Crystal Bicone Beads (04BI1122)
- 4 - 4mm Capri Blue Swarovski Elements Crystal Bicone Beads (04BI1128)
- 6 feathers - 4-6 inch Teal Neck Hackle Feathers (CR0715)
- 4 inches - 1.5mm Silver Plated Twisted Helix Beading Chain (CN3117)
- 6 - 3mm Sterling Silver 22 Gauge Open Jump Rings (SS3887)
- 6 - 0.8mm Silver Plated Base Metal Beading Chain Ends (BM0165)
- 16 - 24 gauge 2 inch Silver Plated Base Metal Head Pins (BM0349)
- 1 pair - 9mm Sterling Silver Ear Wires with Front Loop (SS2600)

Tools needed to complete the earrings:

- Round nose pliers
- Chain nose pliers
- Wire cutters
- Hypo Tube Cement (TL1202)

Beading Techniques needed to complete the earrings:

- Opening and Closing a Jump Ring
- Attaching an Ear Wire
- Attaching a Cord End - Style 4
- Simple Loop

*For step-by-step photos and instructions on these and other techniques, visit FusionBeads.com and select *Beading Techniques* from the top navigation bar.*

Instructions to complete “Songbird” earrings:

Step 1

Using wire cutters, cut the chain into two 2-inch lengths.

Step 2

Apply a small drop of Hypo Tube Cement to the end of the quill of one feather. Insert the quill into one beading chain end (see Attaching a Cord End - Style 4 Technique). Using chain nose pliers, squeeze one side of the chain end and then the other flat against the quill.

Step 3

Repeat Step 2 with each of the remaining feathers.

Step 4

Open the loop on one ear wire (see Attaching an Ear Wire Technique), and attach it to the loop on one chain end. Close the loop.

Step 5

Open one jump ring (see Opening and Closing a Jump Ring Technique). Use the jump ring to attach the loop on the ear wire from the previous step to one end link of one length of chain. Close the jump ring.

Step 6

Open one jump ring, and use it to attach the loop on a second chain end to the middle of the same chain length. Close the jump ring.

Step 7

In the same manner as in the previous step, use one jump ring to attach the loop on a third chain end to the last end link of chain.

Step 8

Place one 4mm Olivine crystal bicone bead onto one head pin, making one unit. Turn a simple loop (see Simple Loop Technique) at the open end of the head pin. Attach the loop just made to the chain link attached to the ear wire in Step 5.

Step 9

In the same manner as in the previous step, use simple loops on head pins to attach these bead units to the chain in the following sequence, spacing the beads about 0.25-inch apart:

- 1 – 4mm Blue Zircon bicone bead
- 1 – 4mm Light Topaz bicone bead
- 1 – 4mm Capri Blue bicone bead
- 1 – 4mm Olivine bicone bead
- 1 – 4mm Blue Zircon bicone bead
- 1 – 4mm Light Topaz bicone bead
- 1 – 4mm Capri Blue bicone bead

Step 10

Repeat Steps 4 – 9 for the second earring.

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