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## Swarovski Star Earrings

These sweet little earrings are great for the festive party season or make an ideal stocking filler. They'd look great in a range of colours so you can really personalise them.


## Materials

To make 1 pair of earrings;
$2 x$ fishhooks or your preferred earring components
$4 \times 5 \mathrm{~mm}$ Jump Rings
$10 \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ Swarovski 5328 Xilion beads crystal (Silver shade have been used in the example).
$80 \times$ size 11 seed beads (galvanised silver have been used in the example).
$1 \times$ size 12 beading needle
Beading thread (Nymo, SoNo, Fireline or your preferred fine beading thread).
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3. Adding the outline: Pick up 6 new seed beads and thread through the next single seed bead (added in step 2), pick up another 6 seed beads and thread though the next seed bead, add a further 3 more sets of 6 seed beads in between the single seed beads. Once you have added the last set, thread through the single bead you started from followed by the first 3 beads of the first set of 6 .
4.


1. Centre of the star: Cut a length of thread approximately $40-50 \mathrm{~cm}$. Thread your needle and pick up $5 \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ Xilion beads. Tie the two ends of thread together leaving the tail end approximately 8 cm long (enough to fasten off the thread securely later).
2. Adding spacers: Thread though 1 Xilion bead then pick up 1 size 11 seed bead, thread through the next Xilion bead, repeat adding seed bead in this way (in between each Xilion bead) until you have added 5 . Thread though the first Xilion beads followed by the first seed bead again.
3. Adding the star points: Pick up 1 new seed bead thread through the remaining 3 beads of the set of 6 , followed by the single bead (in between the xilion beads), then the first 3 beads of the next set, pick up a new bead and repeat the process to add all 5 points on the star. Fasten off the ends securing using half hitch knots, thread through a few beads and trim off the excess thread.
4. Make a second star in the same way and attach your earring findings with 2 jump rings to make the stars dangle and face forwards. We have a useful How to leaflet that will help you which is available in store or downloadable from our website.
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