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Below are two sizes of the earring. The smaller one measures 1" in diameter and the larger one measures 1¼".

Materials required – 2 buttons with four holes measuring ¾" (shirt size), number 20 thread, size 11 seed beads, 1 or 2 'feature' large beads, a metal split ring and earring findings.

Skills required – using buttons and a split chain although this can be avoided.

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain
bbtn	button	B	bead
MB	Move bead on core thread	RW	Reverse work
Cl	close	SCh	Split chain

For help with adding beads on top of the button – [please see this link](#).

Smaller version

23 beads on shuttle thread, 6 on chain

R1: 2 – 1 + 4 B's (hole in bbtn) 1 – 2 Cl RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 B MB 1 MB 1 RW

R2: 2 + B (R1) 1 + 4 B's (same hole in bbtn) 1 – 2 Cl RW

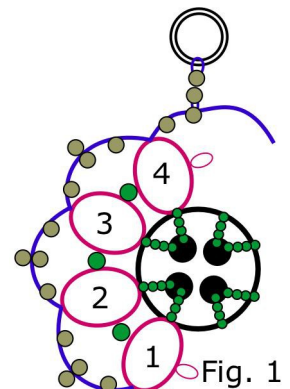
Ch: 1 MB 1 B MB 1 MB 1 RW

R3: 2 + B (R2) 1 + 4 B's (next hole in bbtn) 1 – 2 Cl RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 B MB 1 MB 1 RW

R4: 2 + B (R3) 1 + 4 B's (same hole in bbtn) 1 – 2 Cl RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 now add 2 B's to the chain thread followed by a split ring finding 1 MB 1 RW



R5: 2 + B (R4) 1 + 4 B's (next hole in bbtn) 1 – 2 Cl RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 B MB 1 MB 1 RW

R6: 2 + B (R5) 1 + (same hole in bbtn) 1 – 2 Cl RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 B MB 1 MB 1 RW

R7: 2 + B (R6) 1 + 4 B's (next hole in bbtn) 1 – 2 Cl RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 B MB 1 MB 1 RW

R8: 2 + B (R7) 1 + 4 B's (same hole in bbtn) 1 + B (R1) 2 Cl RW

SCh: 1 MB 1 / (join the shuttle thread to the base of ring one but include in that joining thread 1 bead leaving a small space before and after it). Work the second half of the split chain with a double before and after the bead.

The split chain can be replaced with a regular chain and beads can be added to that with a very long picot.

Finally finish off taking both threads through a larger feature bead (or 2) and another seed bead. Take both threads BACK up through the feature bead/beads and tie and cut above that bead adding a dab of white glue to ensure the knot doesn't unravel.

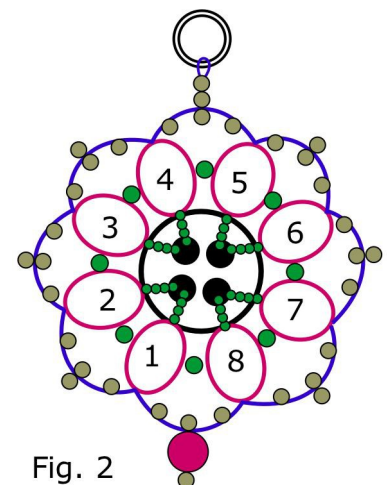


Fig. 2

Larger version

42 beads on shuttle thread, 18 on chain

R1: 2 – 1 + 4 B's (hole in btttn) 1 – 2 CI RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 MB 1 B B B MB 1 MB 1 MB 1 RW

R2: 2 + B (R1) 1 + 4 B's (same hole in btttn) 1 – 2 CI RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 MB 1 B B B MB 1 MB 1 MB 1 RW

R3: 2 + B (R2) 1 + 4 B's (next hole in btttn) 1 – 2 CI RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 MB 1 B B B MB 1 MB 1 MB 1 RW

R4: 2 + B (R3) 1 + 4 B's (same hole in btttn) 1 – 2 CI RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 MB 1 now add 2 B's to the chain thread followed by a split ring finding MB 1 MB 1 MB 1 RW

R5: 2 + B (R4) 1 + 4 B's (next hole in btttn) 1 – 2 CI RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 MB 1 B B B MB 1 MB 1 MB 1 RW

R6: 2 + B (R5) 1 + (same hole in btttn) 1 – 2 CI RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 MB 1 B B B MB 1 MB 1 MB 1 RW

R7: 2 + B (R6) 1 + 4 B's (next hole in btttn) 1 – 2 CI RW

Ch: 1 MB 1 MB 1 B B B MB 1 MB 1 MB 1 RW

R8: 2 + B (R7) 1 + 4 B's (same hole in btttn) 1 + B (R1) 2 CI RW

SCh: 1 MB 1 MB 1 MB 1 / (join the shuttle thread to the base of ring one but include in that joining thread the last 3 beads leaving a small space between each in which to make a double) work the second half of the split chain with a double before and after each bead.

The split chain can be replaced with a regular chain and beads can be added to that with a very long picot.

Finish off as in the smaller version.