



Perfectly Twisted Jewelry Tutorial - DIY Coiled Earrings & Ear Wires

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## Beaded & Coiled Earrings



Start these beautiful earrings with your favorite beads and 1.5 to 2 inches of double coil depending on the size of your beads.

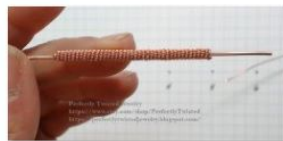
There are 2 versions of earrings in this file. One for beaded earrings, the second for coiled and unbeaded earrings.

At the end of this tutorial are also instructions for making your own earring hooks.

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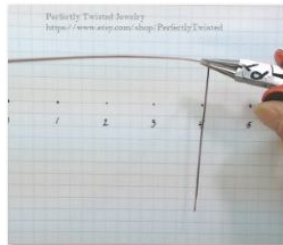
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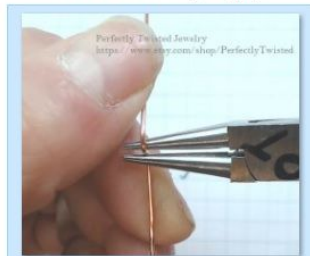
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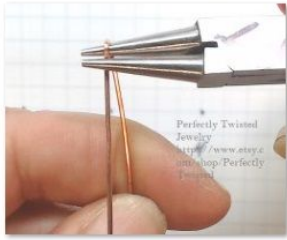
Remove the double coil from the dowel and check the size against your bead. It should wrap around the whole bead for these earrings.

Cut 2 lengths of 20 gauge wire, 8 inches long.

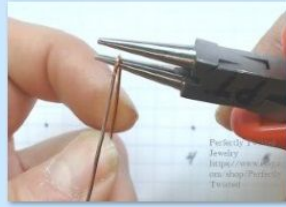
Use round nose pliers and make a 90 degree bend in the bottom 3 inches. Image 3-4

Using your thumb, press the top(long) portion of the wire up and over the curve of the plier head. Image 5

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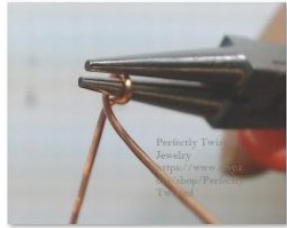
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Bring the wire straight down behind the shorter portion of the wire. Image 6

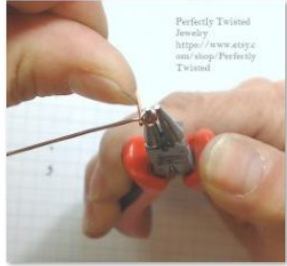
Loosen grip and rotate the plier head off of the neck of the wire. Regrip at the top of the wire. Image 7-8



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Bring the back wire back around to the front, in front of the looped portion... making a complete loop around the plier head. Image 9

Bring the wire perpendicular to the plier and then begin to make a tight wrap around the neck of the wire, just below the plier head. Image 10-12

Make a second complete loop around the neck of the wire. Image 13-14

Set this wire aside to be used later.

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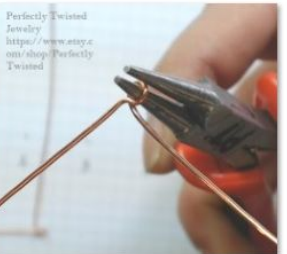
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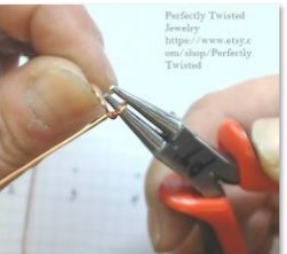
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Begin the 2nd length of 20g wire.

Use round nose pliers and make a 90 degree bend in the bottom 3 inches.

*Using your thumb, press the top(long) portion of the wire up and over the curve of the plier head. Ref. Image 5*

*Bring the wire straight down behind the shorter portion of the wire. Ref. Image 6*

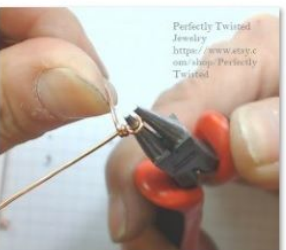
*Loosen grip and rotate the plier head off of the neck of the wire. Regrip at the top of the wire. Ref. Image 7-8*

Make a complete loop around the plier tooth, but bring the wire back around behind the looped portion. Image 15

Make 2 complete wraps around the neck of the wire. Image 16-20



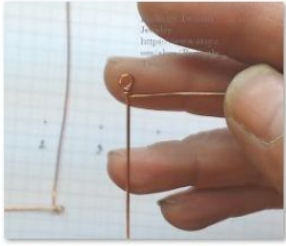
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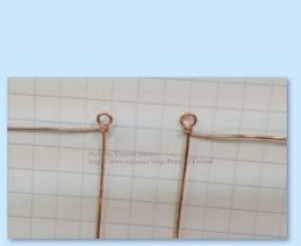
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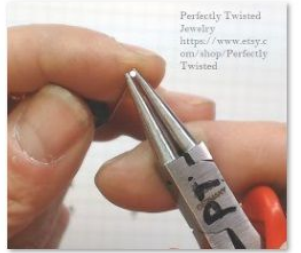
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Each wire should have a short portion approximately 2.5 inches from the loop straight down and the longer portion angled to the side from the loops. Image 22

Thread your bead onto the short center wire. Image 23

Make a 90 degree bend in the lower portion of the wire, securing the bead against the upper loop. Cut the wire to approximately 3/4 inch. Image 24



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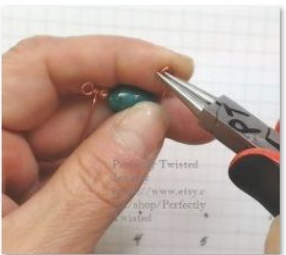
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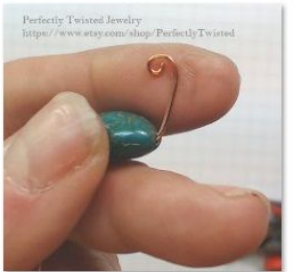
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Use round nose pliers, grab the end of the wire and make a spiral moving inward toward the body of the bead. Image 25-30

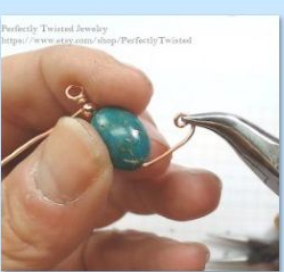
Once you have a loop started, switch pliers to flat nose or chain link pliers.



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Grab the spiral from the 'face and back' and roll inward toward the bead to finish the spiral. Image 32-35

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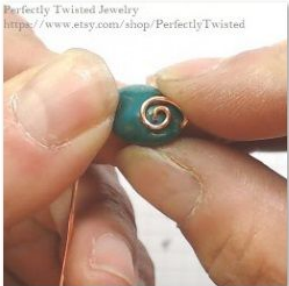
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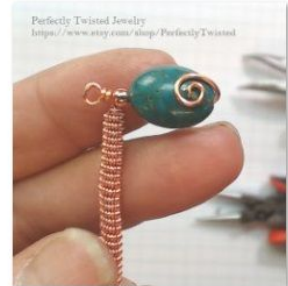
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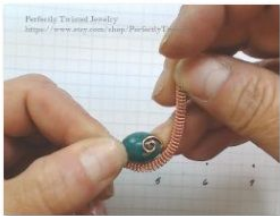
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Roll the spiral until it meets the bead and use your fingers to gently push it into attractive position at the bottom of the bead. Image 35-37

Insert your double coil onto the longer length of wire. Image 38



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Hold the coil along with the earring loop and bend the coil around the bead until it meets the loop at the opposite side. Image 39-40

Bring the end of the wire, over the loop neck and wrap it completely around the wrapped neck just below the loop. Image 41-43



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Use your fingers and give pressure at the neck between the coils to straighten them out if needed.

Cut the wrapped wire to approximately 3/4 inch. Image 43

Use round nose pliers, grab the end of the cut wire and make a spiral moving inward and toward the center of the bead. Image 44

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Use fingers to straighten or move it into elegant position at the center top of the earrings. Image 45

Repeat these steps for the second earring. Remembering however, that the spirals on each earring should 'mirror' each other.

Insert your second bead onto the second earring wire. Make a 90 bend in the bottom of the wire to secure the bead and cut it to approximately 3/4 inch. Image 46

Use round nose pliers and create a spiral moving inward and toward the bead. Image 47

Insert your second coil onto the bare wire and shape the coil around the bead. Image 49



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Bring the end of the wire, over the wrapped neck just below the loop and make one complete wrap around the bead. Image 51-52

The wire end should be on the bare side of the bead. Image 53

Cut it to approximately 3/4 inch and use round nose pliers to create a spiral moving inward and toward the center of the bead.



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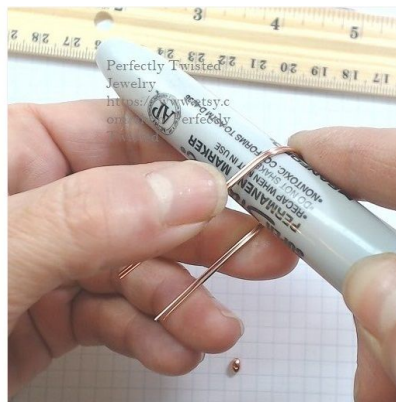
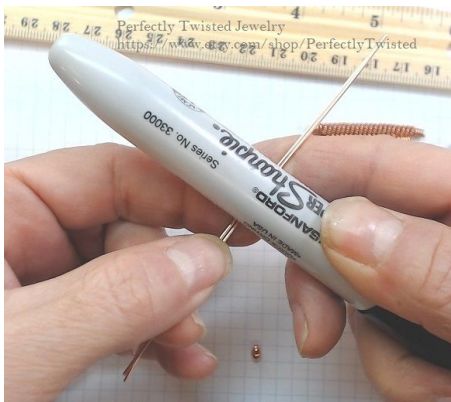
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*That's it!! You've created a beautiful pair of beaded and coiled earrings. Read ahead more to see a second earring version and further to learn how to make your own earring hooks!*

*Have fun and enjoy!*

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## Coiled Earrings Version 2



Start with 4 inches of 20 gauge round, dead soft wire.

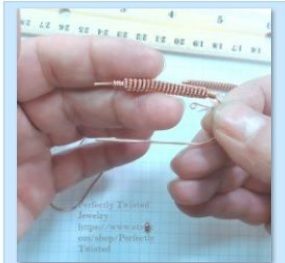
Use a Sharpie Marker or dowel (approximately as round as a 5 cent coin).

Bend both wires at the same time to ensure they are even.

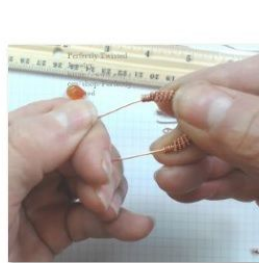
Bend them at the center of the wires.



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Using a 1.5 inch double coil, insert the coil onto each wire so that they lay within the curve. Image 3-6

Insert any additional accent beads you choose to each side.



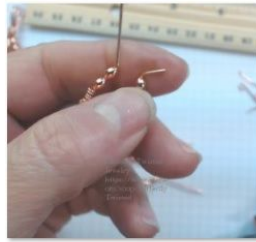
Cross the wire tips until your top beads meet. Careful to keep the elegant curve in the double coil. Image 7



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Use round nose pliers and 'pinch' the wires together right at the top of the beads. Fan each wire out slightly to hold the beads in place. Image 8-9

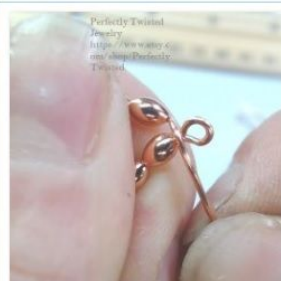
Trim one side to approximately 1/4 inch. Use round nose pliers and grab the end of the cut wire with the tip of the plier.

Turn your wrist moving inward, toward the earring center. This creates a small loop at the end of the wire. Image 10-13

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Use the wire from the opposite side of the loop, bring it over and around the looped wire, to lock it into place. Image 14-17



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Cut away the excess wire and use a flat nose or chain link plier to pinch the cut end smooth if needed. Image 18-19



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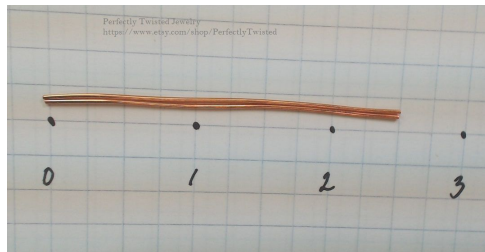
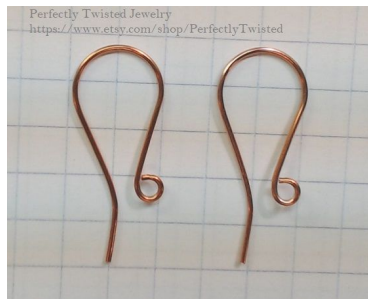
Use the instructions below to create your own earring wires and enjoy!!!

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## DIY Earring Wires

Start with 2.5 inches of 20 gauge round, dead soft wires.

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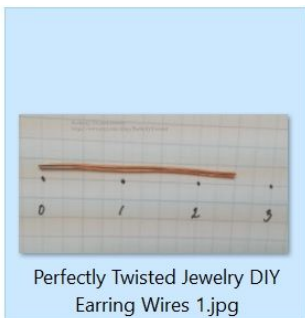


Use round nose pliers, grab the end of the wire and turn until the wire end meets the wire length.

This makes a small loop at the end of the wire. Make both loops evenly sized.

Use a Sharpie Marker or a wooden dowel in the diameter that you desire. 8-10mm is good for earring wires. A Bic pen, pencil, etc.

Hold the wires together, loops up about .5 inch. Put your thumb against the wires to stabilize them and make a bend around the dowel.



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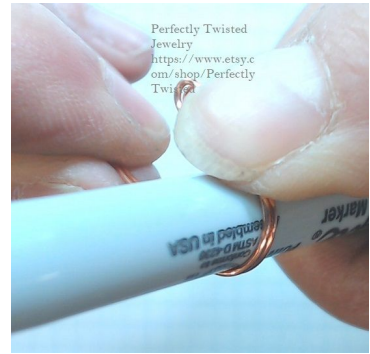


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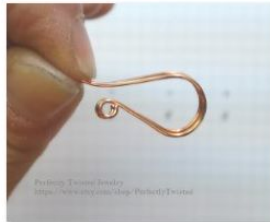




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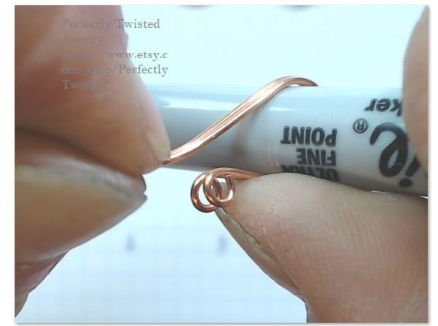
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Bring the wire ends and looped ends 'almost' together around the dowel, then create a slight upward slope near the end of the wires.

Remove them from the dowel. They should be evenly sized and shaped.



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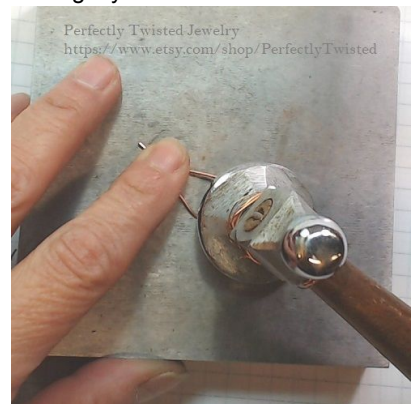
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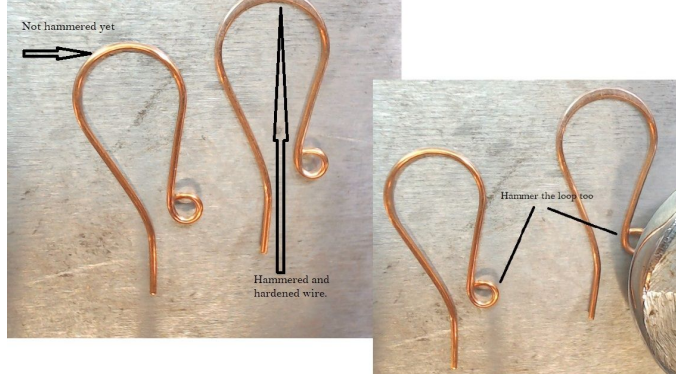
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Use a hammer and metal bench block to harden the earring wires. Hardened wire keeps its shape.

Hammer the upper arc of the wire until it is slightly 'flared' and flattened.



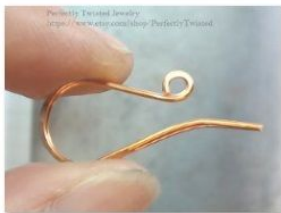
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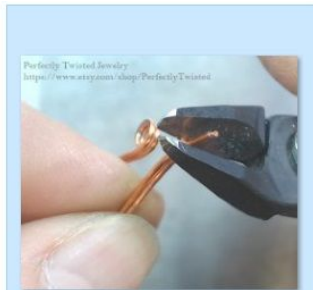
Notice what round wire does when hammered.... It becomes not only flat, but also hardens.

This curve is an important part of the earring wire since we use it to pull the earring on and off our ear. It must hold this shape.

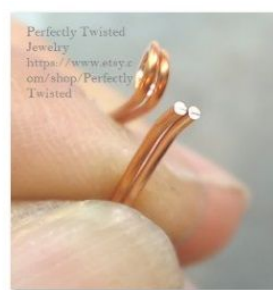
Another area to harden would be the end loop where the actual earring is attached. Making this loop stronger ensures the earring will not pull out easily.



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Earring Wires 18.jpg

After hammering, hold the earring wires together and trim the ends neat and flush if needed.

Use a flat nose or chain link plier to open the loop moving sideways, insert your earring and close the loop.

Enjoy!! Make them in all lengths and sizes for all of your favorite earrings!



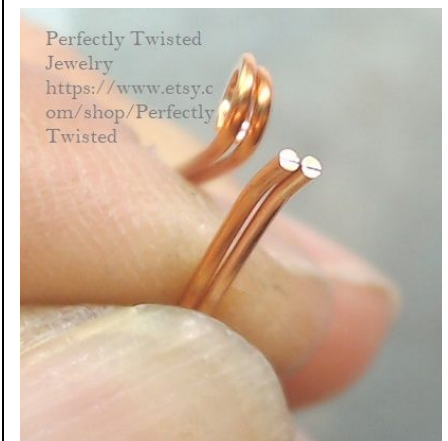
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TIP: Sometimes, there is a slight edge to the cut end of the earring wire. Use a small jewelry file or if you don't have one, use a fingernail file to smooth the ends.

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