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Earrings*

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What You'll Need

John Bead Czech Seed Beads, Size 8/0 Cinnabar Red, SKU 10549085

John Bead Czech Seed Beads, Size 10/0 Emerald Silver Lined, SKU 10478834

John Bead Czech Seed Beads, Size 10/0 Opaque Iris Brown, SKU 10479044

6mm or 8mm Wooden Craft Bead

Wildfire Beading Thread, .006 Black, SKU 10470337

Size #12 Beading Needle, SKU 10348545

German Style Wire, Round, 22 Gauge Antique Brass, SKU 10193620

Beading Mat, SKU 10348546

Fishhook Ball Coil Ear Wires SKU 10185338

Chain Nose Pliers, SKU 10443524

Round Nose Pliers, SKU 10157930

Flush Cutters, SKU D521849S

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1 Hour Class

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Create an orchard of apples with John Bead Czech Seed Beads! In this class we will encapsulate a wooden bead with rounds of seed beads in even-count peyote stitch. Tip: you can use a 6mm or 8mm wooden bead.

Abbreviations

S8 - Size 8/0 Seed Bead, Red

S10A - Size 10/0 Seed Bead, Emerald Green

S10B, Size 10/0 Seed Bead, Iris Brown

Round 1

Cut 35" of Wildfire Beading Thread. String (4)S8. Leaving a 5" tail, tie a double knot.

Thread a beading needle onto the long end of the thread. Go through one bead.



Round 2

(String (1)S8 and go through the next S8) four times. Step-up through the first S8 added in this round.



Round 3

(String (2)S8 and go through the next S8) four times. Step-up through the first S8 added in this round.



Rounds 4 and 5

(String (1)S8 and go through the next S8) eight times. Step-up through the first S8 added in this round. Repeat once more.



Rounds 6-8

Cut 7" of 22 gauge wire. Create a wrapped head pin with 22 gauge wire. Bring the pin through the center of the stitched rounds and through your wooden bead. From here on, tighten your rounds against the wooden bead. Repeat Round 4 three more times.

Tip: if you're using an 8mm wooden bead, you may need one more repeat of round 4.

Round 9

(String (1)S8. Go through the next (2)S8) four times. Step-up through the first S8 added in this round.

Round 10

(String (1)S8. Go through the next S8) four times. Step-up through the first S8 added in this round.

Step 11

Circle through the top (4)S8 added in Round 10. This will tighten them around the pin. Weave in working and tail thread. Trim excess beading thread.

Step 12

String (3)S10B onto the 22 gauge wire. Form a wrapped loop on top of the last seed bead, being careful not to break the bead, trim excess wire and flatten down the tail.

Step 13

Making the leaf! Cut a new length of beading thread, approx 20" in length and thread a hard beading needle.

Step 13 continued

Row 1: Ladder stitch 3 stacks of (2)S10A.

Row 2: Brick stitch 2 stacks of (2)S10A. Figure 3 shows how to straighten out the second row's stacks of 2, by going back through the first stack and under the thread bridge.

Row 3: Add (1)S10A and go down through the adjacent stack. Continue through the edgemoat stack below.

Weave into one of the S8 beads on the side of your apple. Go back up through the same stack of S10A. Turn and come down through the center stack of S10A. Go through an adjacent S8 bead in the apple, then back up through the center stack. Come down through the last stack of S10A and go through another S8. Come back up through the stack of S10A. Reinforce as desired. Weave in remaining thread and trim.

