



LAMPWORK EARSTUDS WITH FRIT

Tutorial for earstuds with surgical steel studs and frit COE 104



Black Tiger



Grey Granite



Candy Floss



Shy Violet



Rosegarden



Golden Summer



Lapis Forest



Citylights



Raspberry Sorbet



Green Grass



Yellow Daffodil



Fairy Dance

Try as well our Powder Aquarius or Mosaic!



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WHAT YOU WILL NEED



Fritblend | here „Blue Ocelot“ by Vetromagic
rod | here lightblue
2 mandrels | 2 crocodile clips
kiln or vermiculite | disk nippers
earstuds with surgical steel by Vetromagic



Krokodilklemmen, 2 Stück
Crocodile clips, 2 pieces
Pinces crocodiles, 2 pièces
Morsettos a croccodrillo, 2 pezzo



Two crocodile clips and mandrels are needed.

Important: Remove any plastic parts.

Mount each crocodile clip on a fitting mandrel, we used a 4mm mandrel.



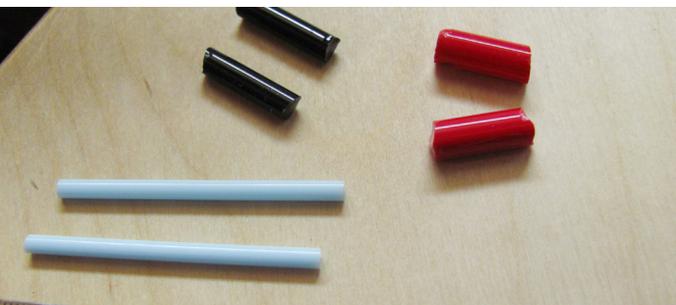
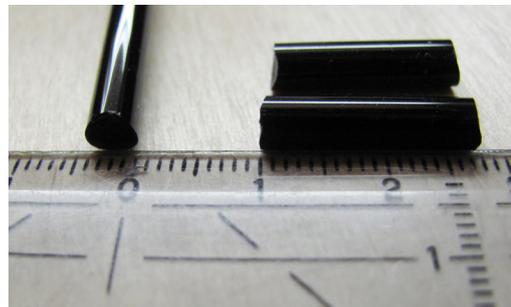
Now you need two surgical steel studs.

The studs have two small grooves on one side. Put each of them with the grooved side in one croc-clip.

If you find this too "wobbly", poke the post into the back and grip the back with the clip.

Prepare your frit.



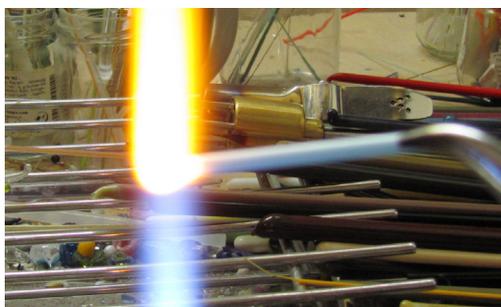


Choose glass for the basebead.

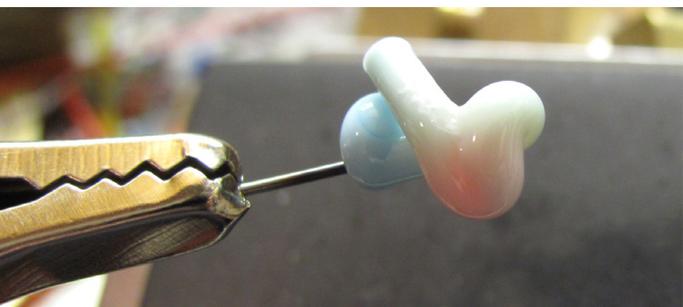
Nip off two small pieces of the same size.

With thicker rods pull a thick stringer first before cutting. (On the pictures above you can see that the length of the glass depends on how thick it is. We used the red and black rods just as examples.)

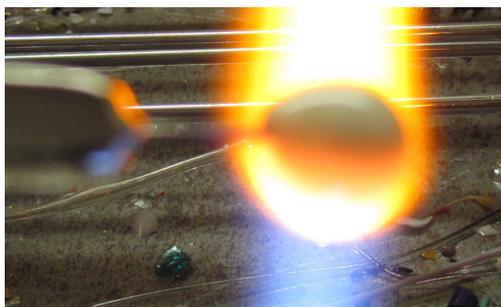
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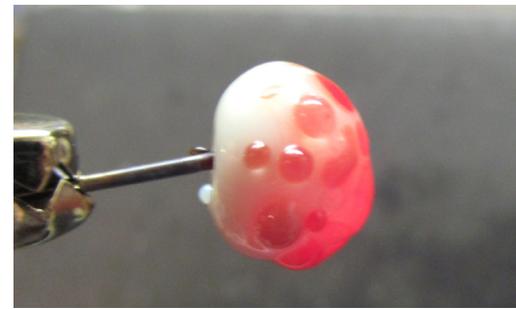
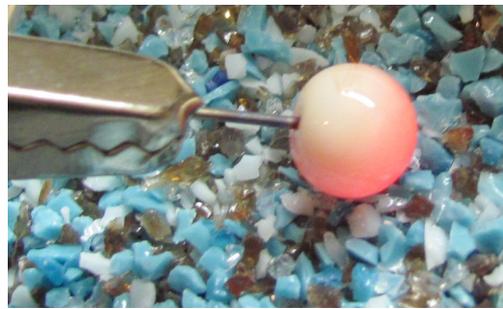
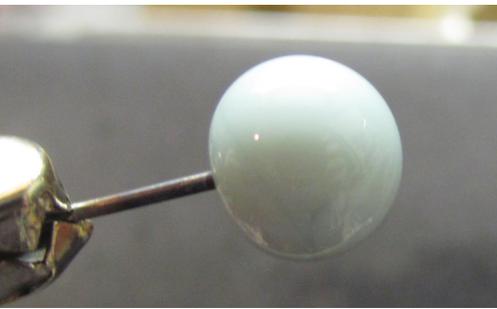


Grab the piece of glass with pliers and heat it slowly. Meanwhile bring the end of the stud to a glow. Then stick the soft glass on it.



Heat the glass and make a ball at the tip of the stud.





Let it cool slightly. The reheat it and roll in frit. Here we used blend „Blue Ocelot“ by Vetromagic. Melt the frits in slowly.

Correct the form using gravity. Then let cool slightly and put in vermikulite or in the kiln without the croc-clips.



Enjoy your selfmade, colorful earstuds!

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