



KANALA EARRINGS: 3 WAYS

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No special beading skills are needed to create these fun and fashionable earrings.

Skill level: Beginner and up

Techniques: Opening/closing jump rings

Finished length: between 1" to 1 5/8"
(excluding ear wire)

MATERIALS (for one variation)

34 size 11° seed beads

16 size 8° seed beads in 2 colors

4 Paisley Duos

2 size 20mm beading hoops w/loop

2 KANALA Cymbal™ settings

1 pair ear wires

2-4 size 5mm jump rings

2 pairs of pliers

Jeweler's glue



TIPS

- The beading hoop has a front and back. The front side has a smooth surface (photo, left). The back side has a crimped portion of the housing (photo, right).
- Test that your Paisley Duos will fit into the bezel area before gluing them.



Step 1. Place several dots of glue into each bezel area of the KANALA settings and insert the Paisley Duos [**PHOTOS 1a and 1b**]. **NOTE:** Do not overfill the bezel or the glue will overflow when the bead is added. Set them aside to allow the glue to dry.

Step 2. With the back (crimped side) of the hoop facing you, use pliers to gently pull the hoop wire out of the smooth side of the housing [**PHOTO 2**].

Step 3. Flexing the hoop like you would open a jump ring, string one 11° and one 8° sixteen times alternating the two colors of 8°. String one more 11° [**PHOTO 3**]. **NOTE:** It may be easier to add beads using a pair of pliers.

Step 3. Using pliers, gently reinsert the hoop wire back into the top housing [**PHOTO 4**].

Step 4. Use pliers to open a jump ring and insert into the KANALA loop. Insert into the loop at the top of the housing of the hole and close the jump ring [**PHOTO 5**]. Or for a longer earring attach the KANALA to the center of the beads on the hoop and close the jump ring [**PHOTO 6**].

Step 5. Attach an ear wire to the bead to the top loop of the hoop housing with the front of the earring facing you.

Step 6. Repeat all the steps above to make a second earring.

DESIGN OPTION: For a simpler earring, skip adding any beads to the hoop and just attach the KANALA setting to the hoop housing [**PHOTO 7**].

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PHOTO 1a



PHOTO 1b



PHOTO 2



PHOTO 3



PHOTO 4



PHOTO 5



PHOTO 6



PHOTO 7

KANALA EARRINGS – COLOR COMBO

Antique silver – KANALA settings

Silver plate – Beading hoop

Opaque turquoise green – Paisley Duos

Opaque black – size 11° seed beads

Aqua green ceylon – size 8° seed beads

Frost op rainbow glaze cardinal – size 8° seed beads



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