



VALSAMO CHARMS BRACELET & EARRINGS

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Bracelets, earrings or a necklace oh my ... with no beading skills needed.

Skill level: Beginner and up

Techniques: Opening/closing jump rings

Finished size: varies

MATERIALS

4-12 Kite beads

4-12 VALSAMO Cymbal™ settings

4-6" of large link decorative chain

1 partially finished bracelet ending

2-3" of small link chain

10-12 size 5mm jump rings

Ear wires

2 pairs of pliers/wire cutters

Jeweler's glue



TIP: Test that your Kite beads will fit into the bezel area before gluing them.

BRACELET

Step 1. Place several dots of glue into each bezel area of the VALSAMO settings and insert the Kites [PHOTO 1]. **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. Cut a length of decorative chain that will fit from wrist bone to wrist bone. **NOTE:** My chain measures 3 ½ ".

Step 3. Evenly space the VALSAMO bezels along the cut chain. Use pliers to open a jump ring, insert into one VALSAMO loop and one link of the chain. Close the jump ring [PHOTO 2].

Step 4. Repeat Step 3 to add your desired number of VALSAMO [PHOTO 3].

Step 5. Use pliers to open a jump ring and insert into one end of the chain. Insert into the ring on one end of the partially finished bracelet ending and close the jump ring. Repeat on the other end of the bracelet.

EARRINGS

Step 6. Cut a ½" length of small link chain. Attach a jump ring to the loop of a VALSAMO and the cut chain. Close the jump ring. Attach an ear wire other end of the cut chain [PHOTO 4]. Repeat to make a second earring.

DESIGN OPTION: For a simpler earring, do not add any chain. Attach the ear wire directly to the VALSAMO loop.

VALSAMO SUITE PHOTO ILLUSTRATIONS by LESLIE A POPE



PHOTO 1



PHOTO 2



PHOTO 3



PHOTO 4



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VALSAMO CHARMS BRACELET & EARRINGS – COLOR COMBO

Antique silver – VALSAMO settings
Pastel olivine – Kites
Silver plate – partially finished ending
Silver plate – Chain

24kt gold plate – VALSAMO settings
Wasabi laser cracked – Kites
Gold plate – partially finished ending
Gold plate – Chain

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