

## Sweetheart Bracelet \&U Earrings

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This paper bead bracelet and earrings set is made with teardrop shaped paper beads. I combined the paper beads with Myuki size $6 / 0$ seed beads and 20 gauge wire and finished it off with a lobster claw clasp.

## Materials Needed

- 14 Teardrop Paper Beads, $9 \mathrm{~mm} \times 15 \mathrm{~mm}$
- 35 Myuki Seed Beads ABClear size 6/0
- 20 Gauge Silver Colored Artistic Wire: 24" Long
- 1 Lobster Claw Clasp, Silver Plate $8 \mathrm{~mm} x 14 \mathrm{~mm}$
- Pair of Silver Plated Earring Findings

- 2 silver plated jump rings, 4 mm diameter


## Tools Needed

- Wire Cutters
- Needle Nose Pliers
- Chain Nose Pliers
- Some sort of clip on bead stopper

Finished Size: Bracelet: 21 cm Long x 17 mm Wide, Earrings: 45 mm long x 17 mm wide Skill Level: Intermediate to Advanced

## Instructions

Earrings:
Step 1: Cut 2 pieces wire, $3^{\prime \prime}$ ( 7.5 cm ) long. Fold both of them in half to form a $V$ shape. Set them aside.

Step 2: Place 2 teardrop beads on one of the bent wires, one on each side of the V shape.

Step 3: Add 2 size 6 seed beads to each side of the V shaped wires after adding the tear drop beads.

Step 4: With your needle nose pliers, bend each end outward to a 45degree angle to lock in the seed beads.

Step 5: Bring both ends of the wires together to close shape to form a heart shape.

Step 6: Keeping the 2 wires together, add one more seed bead making sure to pass both ends of the wire through the hole at the same time. Push the bead down and tighten the other beads to the teardrop beads as tight as you can.

Step 7: Cut the ends of the wire to about 7 mm long beyond the single seed bead. this will be used to form a loop.

Step 8: Using your needle nose pliers, and keeping the 2 wires together, at the same time, bend the 2 wires into a simple loop, to
the back of your work. Make sure to close any gap. Do this with both pieces of wire.

Earring Assembly: Step 1: Pick up a jump ring and open it, place one of the heart charms you just made and one of the earring findings on the jump ring and close the jump ring. Repeat for the other earring.

## Bracelet:

Step 1: Using 18" of wire. Fold wire in half and using your needle nose pliers, about center on the pliers, form a loop in the center of the wire by twisting the 2 wires together 3 times. This is the loop that the lobster claw clasp will join to when the bracelet is closed.

Step 2: Slip on a tear drop bead and 2 size 6 seed beads on both ends of the wire. Use a bead stopper if you need to keep the beads on one side of the wires while adding them to the other wire.
push it to the previous beads on the wires. Tighten as well as you can like you did for the earrings.

Step 4: Repeat Steps 2 and 3 until you have 7 hearts.

Step 5: Work with both wires together as one. Add lobster claw clasp and form a wrapped loop,
locking in the clasp. Trim any excess wire.

Shaping into Bracelet Bend the bracelet into your desired shape making sure the clasp opens down toward the starting loop.

Step 3: Place one seed bead on both wires at the same time and

