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PROJECT OF THE MONTH! Tigertail Chandelier Earrings



Ingredients

- 1m tigertail
- crimps
- 1 pair of earwires
- 2 wire protectors
- chain if desired

If you are using chain you will also need headpins and jumprings.

- selection of small feature beads
- washers/spacers
- seed beads if desired

Recipe

- Take your tigertail and cut off a 20cm length. Using your feature beads and seed beads create a pattern – remembering that larger beads will work best in the middle of the loop. This will be your lower tigertail loop.



If you are using chain, thread the top link through the tigertail and cut chain to desired length. Place a bead on the tigertail each

side on the chain and then thread 2 more pieces of chain on.

You will need to make 3 bead sets to hang off the chain, for each earring. Thread a bead onto headpin and cut 1cm above bead. Using round nose pliers turn a loop. Attach the loop to your chain using a jumpring.



- Cut another 20cm length of tigertail and create a pattern with your beads – this will be your top loop.
- Take all 4 ends of your tigertail and adjust until your loops are the desired size. Place a crimp bead over all 4 strands of tigertail and crimp in place.



- Cut off 3 of the tigertail ends leaving the longest strand. Thread an endcap and then a crimp onto the tigertail – DON'T squash the crimp.



- Thread on the wire protector and your earwire.

- Take the tigertail back down through the crimp bead and then crimp in place. Cut off excess tigertail.