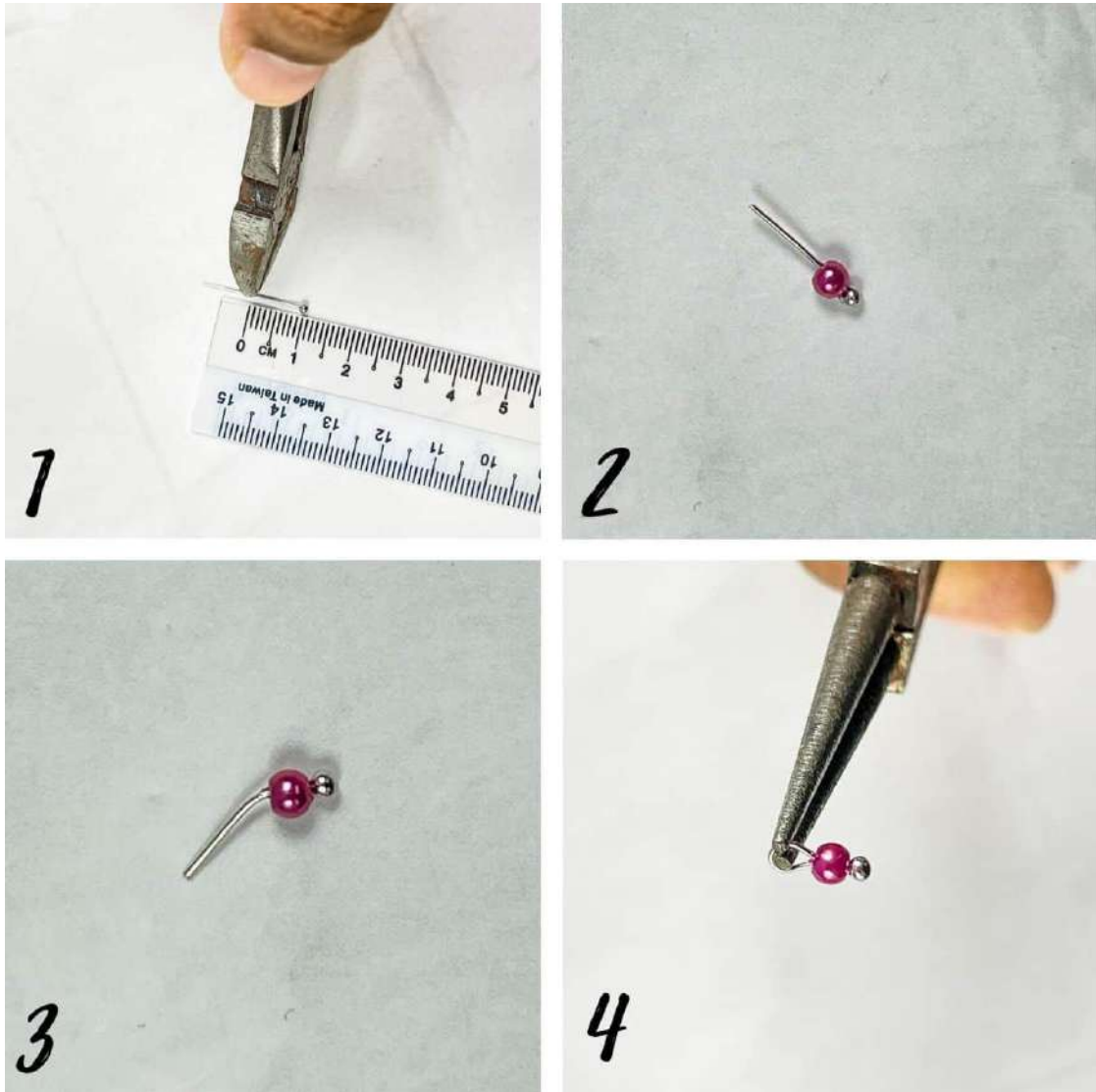


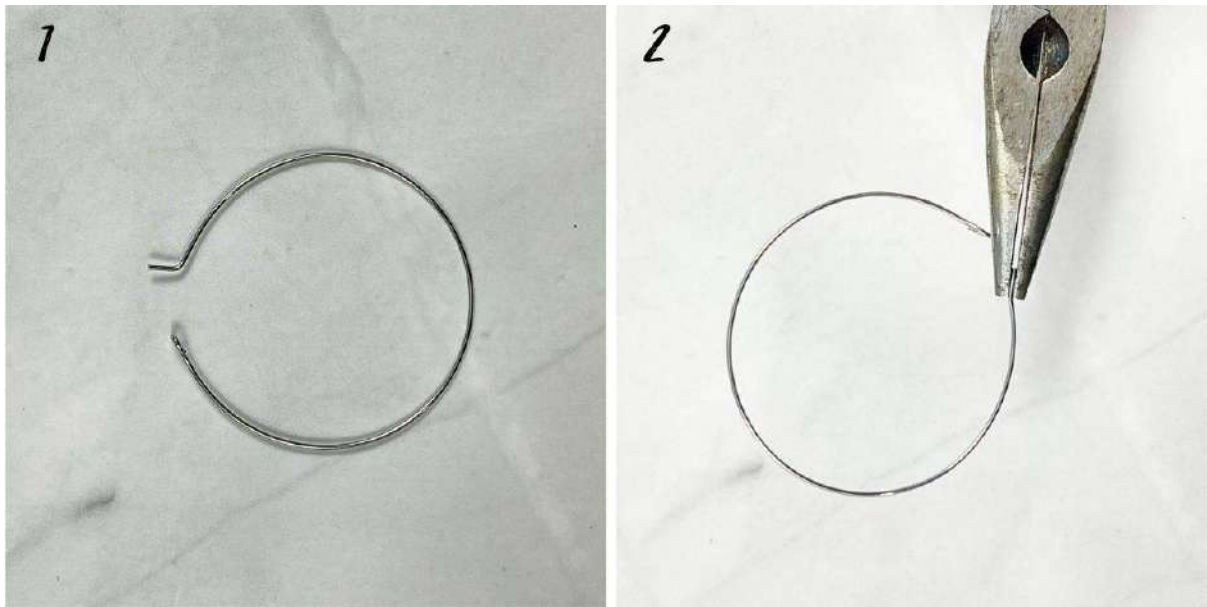
## How to Make Seed Bead Earrings (Hoops)

Step 1: Preparing the purple seed beads for the clusters



1. If you are using headpins that are longer than 1cm, cut the headpin wire to a 1cm length. Discard the excess.
2. Next, insert one purple bead into each headpin.
3. Holding the bead close to the end with one hand, bend the excess head pin wire to a 45 degrees angle with the other hand. If your head pin wire is hard to bend with fingers, use a flat nose plier.
4. Next, using a round nose plier, form a loop with the bent wire. Bending the wire to a 45 degrees angle helps to ensure the loop is centered above the bead. If it is not, simply adjust (either with your fingers or with a flat nose plier) to make it centered. Try to push the end of the wire into the bead hole. Repeat the process for all the 66 purple beads.

## Step 2: Preparing the hoops



1. The hoops I used for this project are simple round shape hook hoops that come with a loop on one end and a 45 degrees bent end on the other end. There is no need to use other earring hook for this project. To insert the beads into the hoop, you will need to do it through the bent end. While larger beads can be inserted through the bent wire, smaller beads like the seed beads used for this seed bead earrings will not go through. Hence, you will need to straighten the wire to allow the beads to get into the wire and the hoop.
2. To do this, simply use a flat nose plier to flatten the bended end of the hoop. It need to be perfectly flat, suffice if it is flat enough to let the seed beads pass through.

### Step 3: Assembling the purple and moss green hoop earrings

- Start by inserting one antique silver bead (the first bead) into the hoop.



- Follow by 3 purple bead dangles.
- And then insert a moss green bead as the spacer bead.

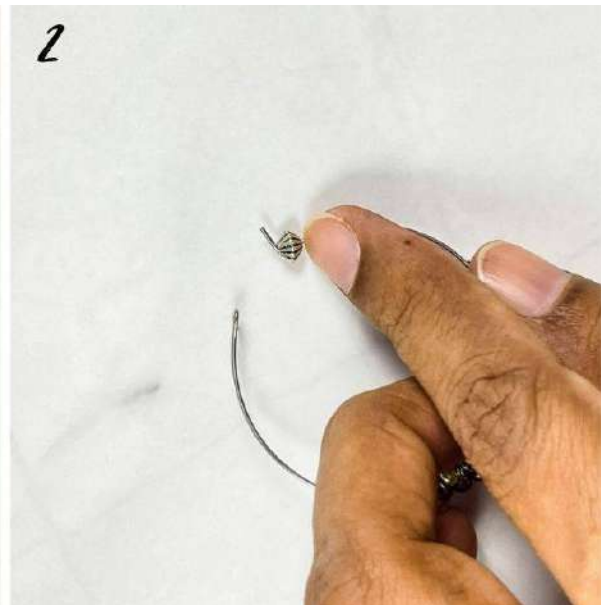


- Repeat with another 3 purple bead dangle.
- Continue the process until you have inserted 10 green beads and 11 clusters of purple beads (33 purple beads in total). At this stage, the row of green seed beads in the hoop should begin and end with a cluster of purple beads on each side.



- To finish the first side of the seed bead earrings, insert another antique silver bead as the last bead to the end of the row of bead.
- Use a flat nose plier to bend the end of the hoop back to its original 45 degrees angle.

Step 4: As a last step, to ensure the beads do to roll out through the bent wire, try to push the silver bead out after bending the wire. If it can come out, bend the wire a bit more until the bead can no longer come out.



- Repeat all the steps above for to make the second earring to complete the pair of **seed bead earrings**.

