



# PETALS CASCADE EARRINGS



**Create a floral cascade with Czech Petals  
and SuperDuo beads.**

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**This spring-fling-ready style will delight with the beauty of an April shower of flower petals that is so fun to create!**

**The earrings begin with the professional-looking polish of a made-for-it Cymbal Vourkoti SuperDuo Bead End.**

**A SuperDuo chain becomes the core onto which we'll embellish Czech Petals and size 11 seed beads.**



## SUPPLY LIST

- Czech glass 8x7mm Rose Petal beads - qty: 30
- Cymbal Vourkoti SuperDuo bead end - qty: 2
- SuperDuo beads - qty: 16
- Size 11 seed beads - qty: 1-2g
- 4mm jump ring - qty: 2
- Ear wires - qty: 2

## TOOLS

- Fireline beading thread, 8lb
- Size 12 beading needle
- Chain nose pliers
- Scissors or flush cutters

## WATCH THE VIDEO

You can follow the YouTube video where I walk you through the entire process here:

<https://youtu.be/hKZ5A69AuuA>



## SUPERDUO CHAIN STITCH

To begin this gorgeous design, we need a base for our petals to suspend from. What could be more fun and beautiful than a color-matched chain of SuperDuo beads that can either complement or contrast our gorgeous petals?

We will start by anchoring our thread, linking the Vourkoti finding, and then constructing the chain using ladder stitch with SuperDuos.



Photo 2

## ANCHOR THE THREAD

Start with 35-inches of beading thread. Leaving a 7-inch tail, go through one of the holes of a SuperDuo bead. Go through the second hole in the same SuperDuo. This will hold our thread somewhat steady as we work the next steps, very similar to how a stop bead would work.

Next, go through the Vourkoti finding and then pass back through the SuperDuo from the opposite side of your exiting thread (Diagram 1).

## BEGIN LADDER STITCH WITH SUPERDUOS

Reinforce the connection with the finding and the top hole of the SuperDuo. Turn to go through the second hole of the SuperDuo.

String another SuperDuo. Pass back through the bottom hole of the former SuperDuo, entering from the opposite side of the exiting thread. Continue through the top hole of the SuperDuo just added, in a ladder stitch motion.

Turn and go through the bottom hole of that SuperDuo (Diagram 2).

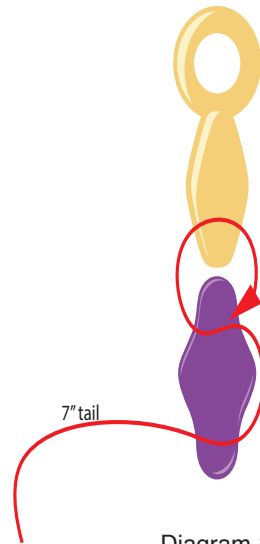


Diagram 1

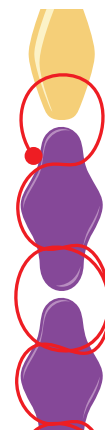


Diagram 2

## COMPLETE THE CHAIN STITCH

Ladder stitch to add SuperDuos until you have a total of eight, or to your desired length. The total of eight will give your earrings a beaded length of 2-inches.

## ADD THE FIRST PETAL

With your thread exiting from the bottom hole of the last SuperDuo bead, string (3) 11/0 seed beads, (1) Rose Petal bead, and (3) more 11/0.

Pass through the bottom hole of the SuperDuo entering from the opposite side of your exiting thread (Diagram 3).

Tip: Take note that in Diagram 3 we string the Rose Petal from the front facing side. For the steps outlined on the next page, we will be adding the petals from back to front, meaning string them with your needle heading from back side to exit from the front side (Diagram 4).

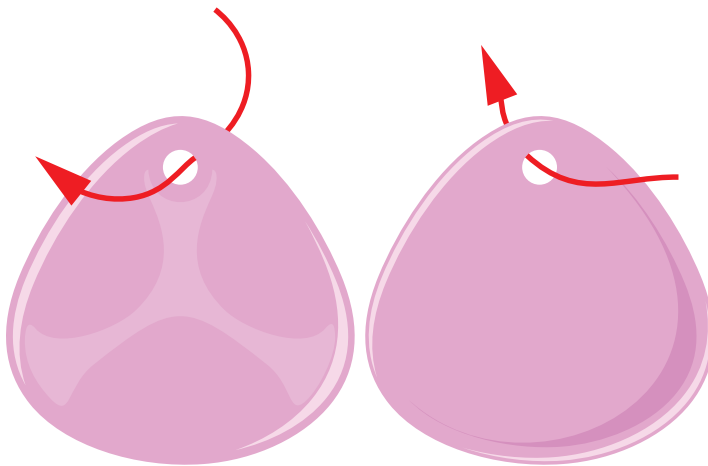


Diagram 4

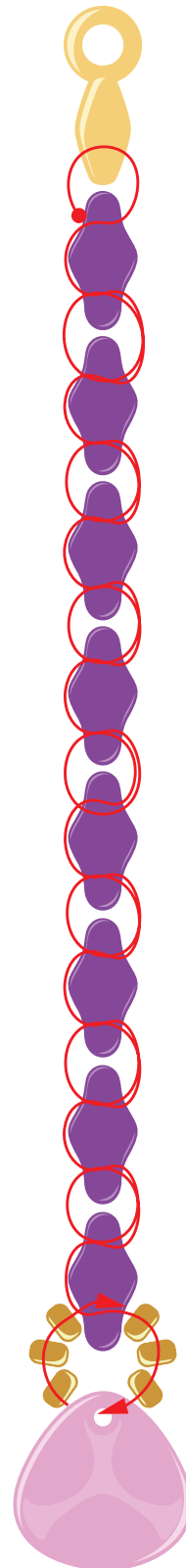


Diagram 3

## REINFORCE THE BOTTOM PETAL

With your thread exiting from the bottom hole of the last SuperDuo bead, continue through the 11/0s and petal beads once more to reinforce the connection with the bottom petal. Continue through the bottom hole of the bottom SuperDuo.

## WORKING THE FIRST CHAIN PETAL

String a new petal. Remember to string it from back to front, so the front side will be facing. String (3) 11/0.

Skip the top hole of the SuperDuo bead you are exiting. Pass through the bottom hole of the next SuperDuo along the chain.

## ADDING REPEATING SETS

String a new petal. Remember to string it from back to front, so the front side will be facing. String (2) 11/0. Pass through the next SuperDuo hole directly above the one you're exiting along the chain.

Note that this will either be the top hole of the **same** SuperDuo, or the bottom hole of the **next** SuperDuo, depending on the location you're exiting from.

Repeat this step to reach the top SuperDuo. Your thread will end exiting from the top hole of the top SuperDuo bead (Diagram 5).

## FINISHING

Reinforce the fringing, then weave through the SuperDuos, down along the chain to weave in thread.

You will at one point end up crossing paths with your tail thread. If you decide to use it to tie a knot, make sure to keep the tension light so as not to warp the dangle of the earring. Also note that the knot will block any further passes through that bead. See Diagram 6.

Trim remaining working and tail thread.

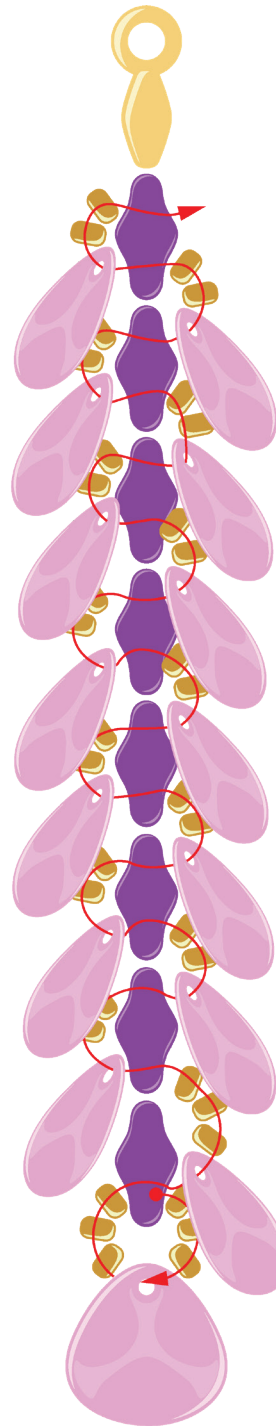


Diagram 5

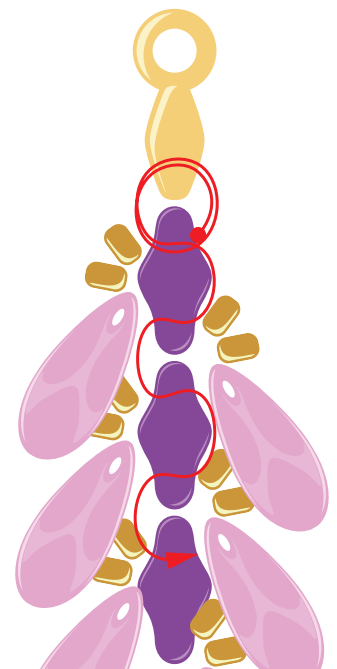


Diagram 6



## CONNECT THE EAR WIRE

Open a 4mm jump ring using chain nose pliers.  
Connect an ear wire to the top of the Vourkoti finding.

Enjoy your earrings!

See the next page for inspiring color palettes!

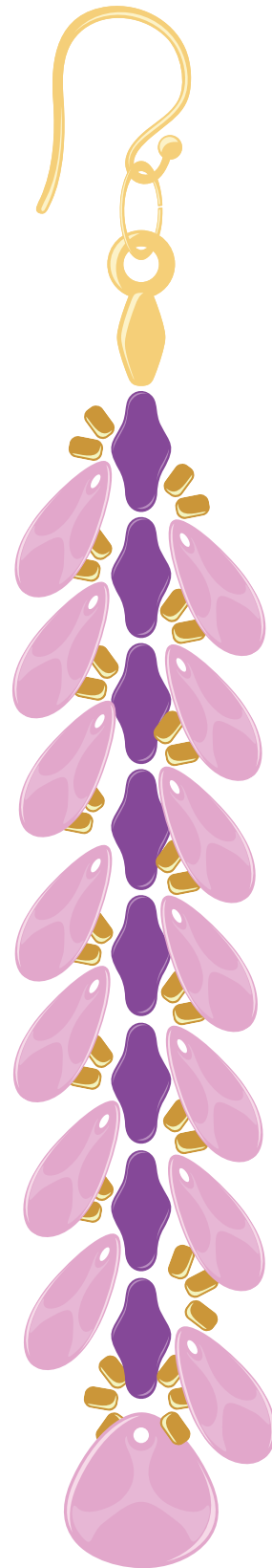


Diagram 7

## COLOR PALETTE 1

- Crystal Sliperit Rose Petal beads
- Size 11/0 Seed Beads, 11-0268 Toho Gold-Lined Topaz
- SuperDuos, Matte Opal Rose, SD-0280
- Cymbal Vourkoti SuperDuo Bead End, 24kt Gold-Plate



## COLOR PALETTE 2

- Crystal Magic Blue Rose Petal beads
- Size 11/0 Seed Beads, 11-0047H Toho Opaque Pine Green
- SuperDuo Matte Opaque Violet, SD-0040
- Cymbal Vourkoti SuperDuo Bead End, 24kt Gold-Plate







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