



Polymer Clay Jewelry:
Jewelry Design Basics
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Anything that you create with polymer clay can easily be attached to a cord, a chain, or an ear wire by making a simple loop attached to a jump ring. Here are the basics!

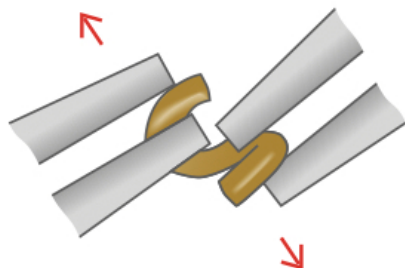


Eye pins

Eye pins are wonderfully easy. Simply insert them in your polymer clay before baking. Then your piece will be ready to attach to jump ring – and then to anything else!

Jump ring basics

To open a jump ring, grasp each side of its opening with a pair of pliers. Don't pull apart. Instead, twist in opposite directions so that you can open and close it without distorting the ring's shape.



Form a wrapped loop

To form a wrapped loop, begin with a 90° bend at least 2" from the end of the wire. Use round-nose pliers to form a simple loop with a tail overlapping the bend. Wrap the tail tightly down the neck of the wire two or three times. Trim the excess wire to finish.

Make a thicker, heavier- looking wrapped loop by wrapping the wire back up over the coils, toward the loop, and trimming at the loop.

