



## Wire Oval Earrings

### Supplies:

8-10mm polymer clay spacer beads  
50" annealed steel wire  
2 gunmetal earwires  
Steel wool and Renaissance Wax

**Tools:** 1" wooden dowel, wire cutters, round and chain nose pliers.

### Prep your wire:

Run the steel wool down the length of the wire, varying the amount of polishing as you go up and down the wire with the steel wool and seal with light coat of wax.

### Directions:

1. Cut 25" of wire. Leave a 4" tail on one side of the wire and start wrapping the wire around the wooden dowel, wrap 5 times. Position the wire so the ends are on the top, and squeeze the sides of the wire to form an oval.
2. At the center of the top of the oval, wrap the smaller wire around the ovals three times to secure them. Pull the small end of the wire straight up.
3. Wrap the longer end of the wire around the small end of the wire and create two tight wraps. String on the spacer bead, trim excess wire and create a simple loop at the top of the spacer bead. Continue wrapping the long end of the wire several times under the spacer bead to fill in any gaps.
4. Open the loop at the top of the earring and slip on the earwire, close loop.

### Resources:

Humblebeads: Tiny Peacock Spacers  
Steel wire: Ace Hardware stores.  
Earwires: Rings & Things.