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NUNN DESIGN SUPPLIES:

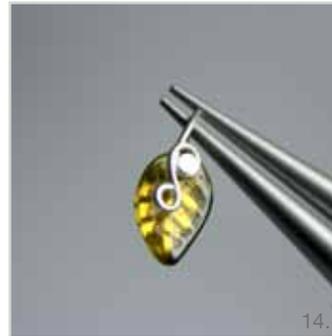
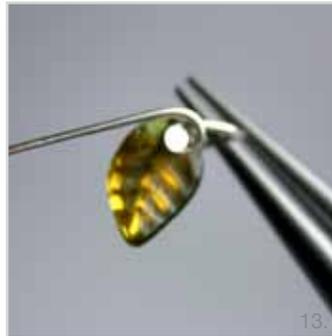
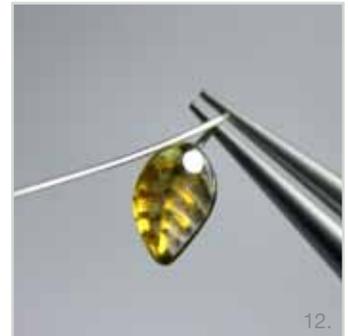
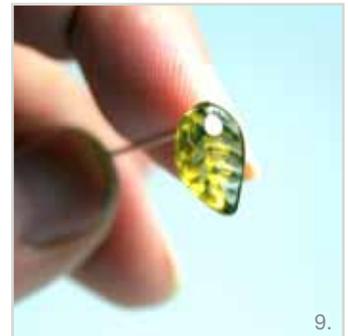
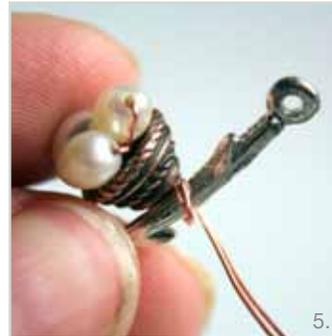
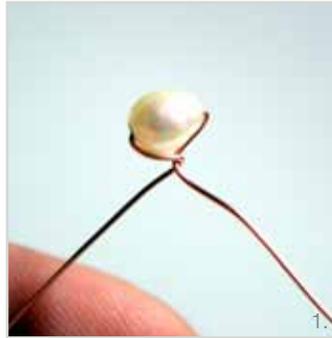
- 1 Decorative Connector Small Bird Circle-Silver (dcscb-sb)
- 1 Bead Cap 9mm Coral-Copper (bc9c-cb)
- 1 Twig Connector Bar Mini-Silver (tcbm-sb)
- 4 2" Headpins-Silver (hps-b)
- 18" Large Oval Link Chain-Copper (lolc-cb)
- 1 Lobster Clasp 15mm-Copper (lc15-cb)
- 1" Small Hammered Flat Cable Chain-Silver (shfc-sb)
- 8 Jump Ring 6mm Textured-Silver (jr6tc-sb)
- 1 Jump Ring 6mm Textured-Copper (jr6tc-cb)

OTHER SUPPLIES:

- 18-21" of 24-gauge copper wire
- 3 pearls (about 6x5mm)
- 3 flower beads
- 2 leaves
- 1 Swarovski crystal bicone

TOOLS NEEDED:

- Flush Cutters
- Round Nose or Needle Nose Pliers



BACK STORY:

"I love the idea of nests of eggs. They speak of home and comfort and new life and possibilities. I love to mix metals; so using different tones was easy for me to do. When I saw the little copper bead cap, I thought it looked like a nest--and that is where I started. And a nest needs a branch and a bird to go along with it! The Nunn Design products are full of potential, especially if you are able to look past what their typical function is and use them as building blocks to making your design unique!"

-Erin Prais-Hintz

STEP 1 (no image)

Cut the copper chain into two 9" pieces. Set aside.

STEP 2 (no image)

Cut the silver chain into two 1/2" pieces. Set aside.

STEP 3 (Image 1)

Cut a 12-15" length of 24-gauge copper wire. Thread a pearl onto the middle of the wire. Twist the wires to secure.

STEP 4 (Image 2)

Thread a second pearl onto one of the wires and twist to secure.

STEP 5 (Image 3)

Thread a third pearl onto one of the wires and twist all together to secure.

STEP 6 (Image 4)

Pass the wires through the copper bead cap...

STEP 7 (Images 5 & 6)

...and start wrapping the ends around the small branch connector in a random fashion to resemble vines.

STEP 8 (Image 7)

If your leaf bead has holes side to side: Take 6" of 24-gauge copper wire and thread to the middle. Cross the wires and twist to secure. Wrap the leaf around the branch randomly as in Step 7, tucking in the end of the wire.

STEP 9 (Image 8)

Thread two headpins with a flower each. Wrap one around the branch randomly as in Step 7, tucking in the end of the wire. Repeat with the other flower.

STEP 10 (Images 9 & 10)

If your glass leaf bead has a hole back to front: Pass a headpin through the hole and bend the pin up at a 90-degree angle, leaving a little bit of space on the pin.

STEP 11 (Image 12)

Place your round-nose pliers about 1/4" up from the top of the leaf and bend the wire back down over the pliers.

STEP 12 (Image 13 & 14)

Bring the wire around the bottom of the headpin. Trim the excess and curl the wire into a vine shape.

STEP 13 (no image)

Thread a headpin with the following: one Swarovski bicone, one flower bead, one silver floral bead cap. Create a wrapped loop to secure.

STEP 14 (Image 15)

Attach the flower and leaf dangle to the bottom of the flat tag connector with two silver jump rings.

STEP 15 (no image)

Attach the short lengths of silver chain to the top two loops on the flat tag connector with two jump rings. Attach the chain to the branch with two silver jump rings.

STEP 16 (no image)

Attach the branch to the copper chain with two silver jump rings. Attach the copper lobster claw clasp to the chain with a copper jump ring.