



Materials:

- Pair of Shoe Clips *
- 50 4mm Crystal Bicones *
- 50+ Head Pins *
- Pkg of Pearls (3 sizes)
- 22 Gauge Wire *
- Very Fine Wire *

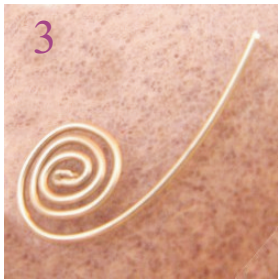
Tools:

- Flat Nosed Pliers
- * Needle Nosed Pliers
- Chain Nosed Pliers (Handy, not necessary)
- Wire Cutters

* Available at *The Savvy Woman Beading Emporium*



1. Make 13 head pins like the one on the right, using a tiny pearl, a crystal, a large pearl, medium pearl and small pearl in that order. Then make 12 head pins with a small pearl, a crystal, then two medium pearls in that order, finishing each style with a wrapped loop. Figure 2 shows your finished "stash".



3. Make a small spiral - about the size of a dime, or 2mm, leaving a long tail. You don't need to make it especially pretty, because it's not going to show.



4. Thread all of the head pins onto the spiral, starting with the shorter ones. You may need to manipulate the spiral to get the wires threaded on there. In the picture, you can see that I made the spiral into a bit of a cone to give myself room. Just readjust your spiral when you're finished. Put the head pins on very closely, as shown.



5. Close the spiral with a small loop made with the needle nosed pliers, as shown.

6. At this point, the head pins are quite floppy, and you'll want to tighten them. Attach the fine wire to the head pin, and wrap it around the base of every head pin going completely around it. Make sure that the wire crosses itself around each head pin, as shown.



TO FINISH: Attach the shoe clip to the back of the spiral using the fine wire, turn the clip to the front and arrange the head pins to suit you, using the picture of the finished shoe clips to guide you if need be. The thin wire should hold them in place. If you have any trouble, just add some more thin wire.

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