

# September: Sapphire

I love the classic blue sapphire color, even if it's not a real sapphire. These chunky Lucite beads pack a powerful (but not overpowering) punch while the delicate chain accents add elegance. – *Cathy Jakicic*



**1** On a 3-in. (7.6 cm) head pin, string a spacer and a Lucite nugget.



**2** On a 1½-in. (3.8 cm) head pin, string a 3 mm bicone crystal. Make a plain loop (How-Tos).



**3** Cut a 1¾-in. (4.4 cm), a 2¼-in. (5.7 cm), and a 2¾-in. (7 cm) piece of chain. Open the loop of the bicone unit (How-Tos) and attach the shortest chain. Close the loop.

## Supplies

- ◆ 2 30 mm Lucite nuggets
- ◆ 2 3 mm bicone crystals
- ◆ 2 4 mm spacers
- ◆ 14 in. (36 cm) chain, 2 mm links
- ◆ 2 3-in. (7.6 cm) head pins
- ◆ 2 1½-in. (3.8 cm) head pins
- ◆ pair of earring wires
- ◆ chainnose and roundnose pliers
- ◆ diagonal wire cutters

Check your local bead store for supplies.



**4** On the head pin of the nugget unit, string each end link of the 2¼-in. (5.7 cm) chain, each end link of the 2¾-in. (7 cm) chain, and one end link of the bicone dangle. Make a wrapped loop (How-Tos).



**5** Open the loop of an earring wire and attach the dangle. Close the loop. Make a second earring. \*

## Tip

Store these earrings hanging up to keep the chains from tangling.