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Patriotic Napkin Rings

Bring patriotic pizzazz to your Independence Day dinner party with these colorful napkin rings

Materials:

Small Bracelet Mold (#425715)

Bullseye Mardi Gras Yellow, Blue, Red with Blue Streamers (#B4223F)

Bullseye White Opal Double Rolled (#B011330)

Bullseye Garnet Red Striker Thin (#B0132250)

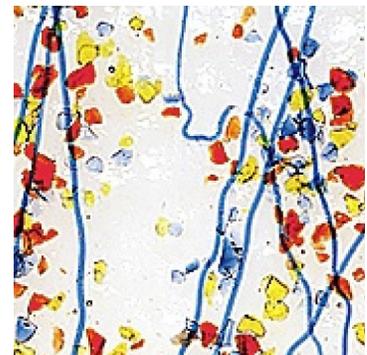
Bullseye Deep Royal Blue Thin (#B111450)

Medium Star Assortment (#424661)

Bullseye GlasTac Firing Glue (#B8234)

1/32" Fiber Paper (#92809)

Copper Wire (#4525)



Directions:

1. Begin by cutting four 1" x 6" strips of Bullseye Mardi Gras glass. Cut another four 1" x 6" strips of Bullseye White Opal. Using the Garnet Red and Royal Blue thin cut two free-formed squares from each of the two colors. Clean glass well to remove any residue and fingerprints.
2. Lay the four white strips on your work surface. Apply a few drops of Bullseye GlasTac Firing Glue. Lay one strip of the Bullseye Mardi Gras on top of each of the white strips. Apply a small spot of GlasTac firing glue to each of the small red and blue squares and attach to the strips. Glue a pre-cut star on each.
3. Set the blanks on a treated kiln shelf and fire the glass to a tack fuse (1325° – 1400° F) or until the edges of the glass are rounded and no longer sharp and the star still retains it's shape. Begin checking the glass around 1275° F. Flash vent kiln to approximately 1100° F. Turn kiln off and allow glass to cool back down to room temperature.
4. Using 1/32" fiber paper, cut a piece the length of the mandrel and wide enough to wrap around it. Secure with copper wire on each end.



5. Place a fused napkin ring strip on the prepared mandrel so that it is centered lengthwise and perpendicular to the mold. Turn the tabletop kiln on high and monitor the bracelet until it has softened and the ends have dropped and are pointing straight down.

Important Safety Note: Before manipulating the bracelet, turn off the kiln, put on heat protective gloves and remove the lid of the kiln.

6. Wearing protective gloves, hold the bracelet tongs with both hands and starting at the top of the glass begin to gently glide the graphite paddles along the surface of the glass until you have slid down past the bracelet mandrel. It's important to note that you are maintaining constant contact with the glass and are actually gently pressing the glass into the mandrel and not pushing down on the glass. This "locks" the glass to the mandrel so that it doesn't move off center and out of position.



To push the ends of the napkin ring up and under the mandrel, gently rotate to the right and continue gliding along the surface of the glass until you have reached the right end of the glass. The handle of the tongs should nearly be touching the collar of the kiln when you have completed this motion to ensure you have a secure wrap. Repeat the same motion and gently rotate the tongs to the left and push the left end of the glass up under the mandrel.

7. Once complete, place the lid back on the kiln and check the pyrometer. IT should be in the 1000° - 1100° F range. If it's higher, remove the lid for a few seconds to allow the heat to dissipate and continue to do so until the pyrometer is in this temperature range. Turn the kiln on low and allow it to soak for 30 minutes to anneal the glass. Once completed, turn the kiln off and wait for it to cool off to room temperature before removing your completed project.
8. Repeat to create additional napkin rings.