

Project Guide

Spirit Flakes - Suncatchers, ornaments, chimes

Glass Cutting: **Simple Straight Lines**

Firing: **Contour Fuse**

Accessories: **String**



Step-by-Step:

1. Starting with a section of Spirit glass about 2.5 x 5 inches, cut into triangles, as in photo below. Accuracy is not critical—this is a whimsical project.
2. Ask shop personnel for a Portable Assembly Surface covered with Thinfire paper.
3. Arrange your triangles in an “asterisk” shape on the assembly surface, with the triangle points very close together.
4. Stack the two Chips in the center, making sure they cover the points of the triangles. Use a few pinpoints of glue to hold the Chips in place.
5. Nip about a half-inch piece of clear Noodle. Place on one of the triangles, with the bit of fiber paper in between. Make sure the Noodle hangs over the fiber paper on both sides. This will create your glass “loop” for hanging.

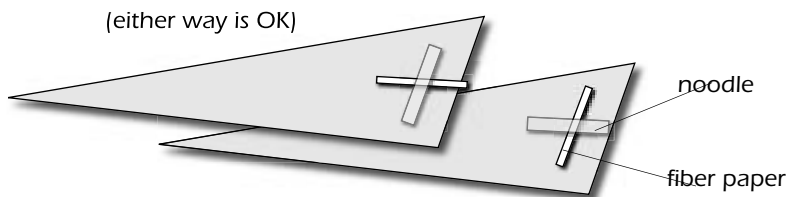
Materials:

Sheets: your choice of clear-based Spirit glass

Chips: 2 for each Flake, your choice of color...or cut 2 from the same glass as above

Noodle: clear

Fiber paper: 1/16" thick and wide, about 1/2" long



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Variations:

- Instead of cutting triangles from a single chunk of glass, use remnants or a variety of colors.
- For the centerpiece, use a glass “button” made from 3 stacked chips that have been previously full-fused.
- Make a set, of course! Vary the color scheme for each one.

Concept from the book “Introduction to Glass Fusing” by Petra Kaiser.