

General Bling Instructions for All Kits

HEAT SET WITH PRESS CLOTH! Color before setting bling. Some kits will have to be quilted first before bling can be applied. This is noted within the specific kit.

Bling Kit (all the stones necessary to bling according to the photo included in kit. Please note that there are just a few extra stones of each color so be careful when handling the rhinestones). I label all the bags of bling to correspond to the bling diagrams as well as the spreadsheet table that is usually included in the coloring instructions. Some of the starter and class kits will not include a diagram – the bling placement is up to the individual.

Use a pair of tweezers for placing the stones. Any tweezer will do but I find that embroidery tweezers or medical supply tweezers at least 4.5" long work the best. Place the smallest stones first (size 6 ss is usually the smallest I use in the kits). If you place larger stones first the iron may not be able to touch the top surface of smaller stones which is necessary to activate the glue on the back of the stones.

Iron or Mini Iron. The best way to attach most of these stones is with a mini iron preferably one that has a rhinestone tip. A regular iron can be used but may prove to be cumbersome when setting the very smallest stones. I also like to use an applique iron when attaching a section of rhinestones simultaneously. If you are placing a large number of stones or large stones, you may want to use a press cloth over your work to prevent scorching. You can also use a heat press to set a large number of stones just be sure to use a silicon mat for protection.

Roxanne's Baste it with the small nozzle for precise glue placement. Although the stones are all hot fix (meaning that the glue on the stone is activated by heat), I found it somewhat easier to put a spot of Roxanne's Baste it glue down, place the stone on the glue then let the glue dry (for about 5 minutes). Then hit the stone with your iron or mini iron. The Baste it glue holds the stone exactly where you want so you can place the iron on it without worry of the stone shifting under the iron. You should not use an epoxy type of glue on hot fix rhinestones.

There is no particular step by step process other than it is easier to color first then place the stones. The block photo included in the individual instructions should be the best guide for coloring as well as where exactly to place stones. However, there are detailed diagrams of each part of the design labeled with number associated with a particular stone. Please see the Excel spreadsheet printout for the rhinestone name, the size and the color code for each stone. I have also provided a close count of how many stones are used throughout the process.

If you are having difficulty setting the stones (i.e., they don't seem to stick once heat activated) you may want to refer to the VERY DETAILED instructions provided by the following link:

https://www.harmanbeads.com/assets/images/PDFs/Product%20Information/Application%20Manual/2017/SP_Application_2017_hotfix.pdf

My website also has a video on attaching rhinestones: [How To Videos \(medinadomarts.com\)](http://www.medinadomarts.com). Scroll down the page to find it.