

Techniques

How to properly open and close Split Rings

Professional Tip: Save your nails! Invest in Split Ring Pliers.

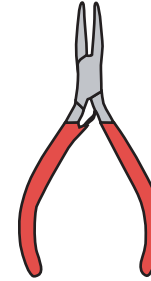
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A more secure alternative to jump rings are split rings. They resemble miniature key rings. Split rings can be distorted so it is best to use split ring pliers or tweezers to do the job.

The pliers have one flat side to rest the ring and a "L" shaped end that gently opens the ring and holds it open while you attach whatever you wish. (Caution: thin materials such as .010 Soft Touch© or very delicate chain can manage to find its way into the coil and unwind itself from the ring. These materials can also fall through the gap in a jump ring).

Use chain nose pliers to rotate the split ring after your items are inserted until they are secure like a keyring.

What you will need:



Place the "L"
in between
the rings to open

