

ART CLAYTM SILVER Basic Instruction Guide #046

Pearl Ring

Level: Basic/ Intermediate



Completed piece

In Japan, pearls are called “moon drops” because of their purity and elegance. This design ring shows the moon, lit up in the night sky, reflected on the water surface. Small pearl this one shown here are good for daily use rings. The ring part has a hairline finish matching the pearl’s soft shine, which gives a sharp impression unlike with a matte finish.

<Material>

A-053	Art Clay Silver Clay Type 10g	1pc
A-066	Art Clay Silver Paste Type	a small amount
P-002	Pearl (half-drilled) 7mm	1pc
-	Fine Silver Wire 0.8mm	0.8cm long

<Step by Step Guide>



- 1) Cut ϕ 0.8 silver wire into a piece 0.8cm long, and bend it L-shape with some flat pliers.



- 2) Wrap a memo pad sheet 3 sizes (Japanese ring size) larger than your actual finger size around a wooden mandrel. Roll out 7g of clay into a rope and wrap it around the middle of the memo pad.



- 3) Make the ring a half round shape.



- 4) Press the round tip of a ball point pen etc. onto the ring to make a position for the pearl.



- 5) Flattened piece.



- 6) Put a small amount of Paste Type on the screw part of the silver wire and insert it into the dent.



- 7) Fix any stray Paste Type with a moistened brush and dry.



- 8) Trim any burrs and fix the shape of the inside ring with a medium fine file, then polish the entire piece with a red sponge sanding pad (#320-600) and fire.



- 9) Polish the entire piece with a stainless steel brush and make a hairline finish with a red sponge sanding pad (#320-600) by polishing in one direction.



- 10) Put some epoxy glue on the end of the silver wire to fix the pearl and finish.