

DIY Mini Macaron Charms

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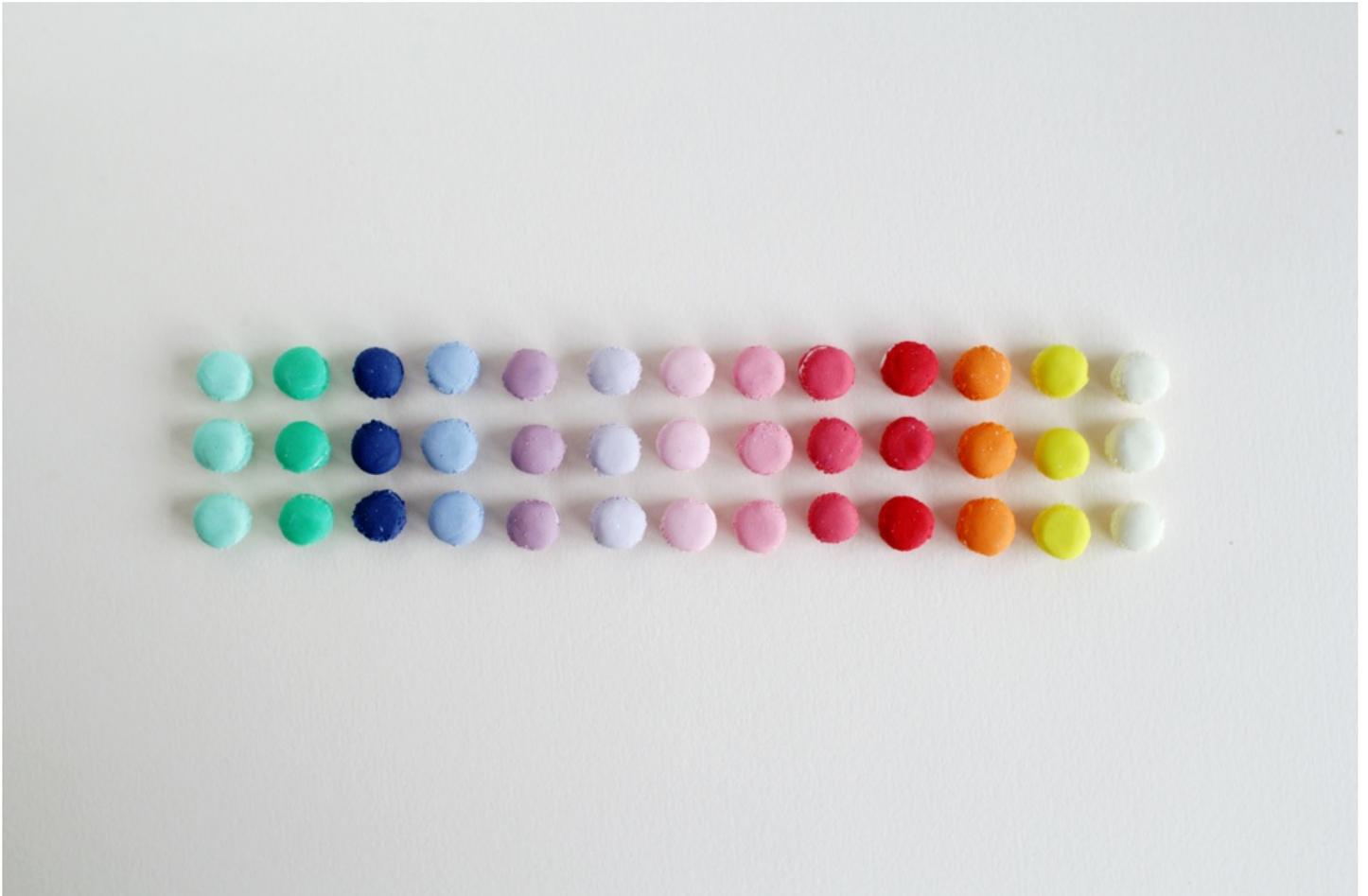
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MINI MACARON CHARMS

I've been so excited all weekend to share this tutorial with you. I've had to enforce some serious self-constraint to stop myself posting the whole tutorial over on Instagram. If you follow [Fall For DIY](#) or [We Make Collective](#) you might have seen a few teaser photos cropping up. I just couldn't help myself!

Now spring is in full swing I'm trying to inject a little more colour into all aspects of my life and these DIY Mini Macaron charms are just the best way to brighten up anything! Make earrings, necklaces, push pins, keyring charms, embellish your clothes with them or, like me, just arrange them to look like a tiny macaron counter and get a bit over excited about it...



Materials

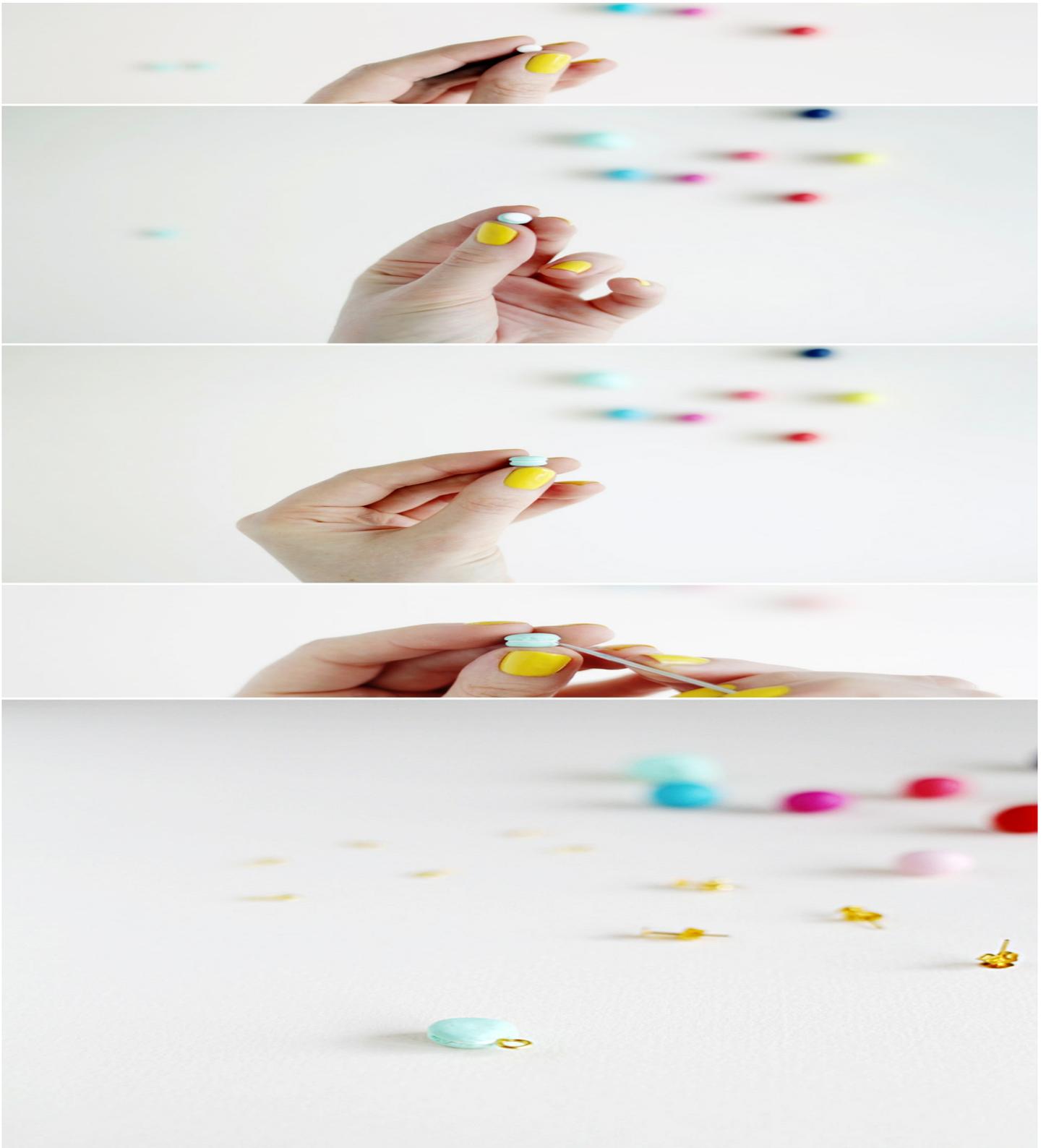
[Polymer Clay](#) | [Screw bails](#) | [Earring blanks](#) | [Bead reamer](#) (or sharp skewer)





To make the lovely pastel colours that are so synonymous with macarons, you'll need lots of white polymer clay to mix with your colours. Make sure you have plenty on hand and start mixing up your colours. Play with the colours to mix up different hues. When you're happy with the colours break off small pea sized pieces of clay and roll into a ball.





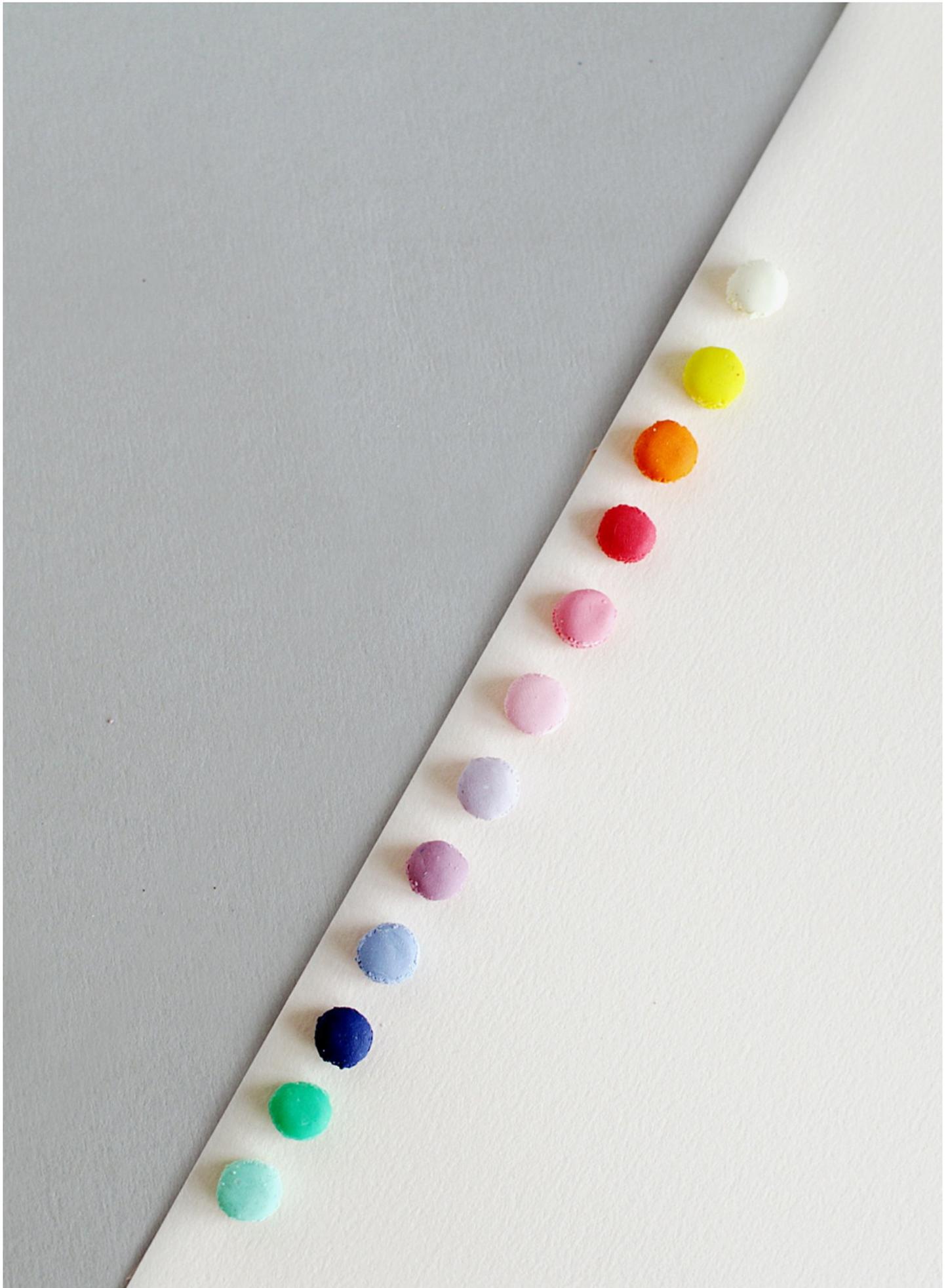
Squash the ball in between your fingers and then cut into two along the widest edge with a craft knife. Put these aside and roll a piece of white clay half the pea size into a ball. Squash this down until it's a little smaller than the flat side of one of the outer shell halves. Put the two halves of the shell back together with the white filling in between and gently squash to seal them in place.

Now use your sharp bead reamer to cross hatch a small section of the shell on both sides all around the filling. Be rough with the point of the reamer to create the ruffled edge. This step is not totally necessary but I think it finishes them off nicely and stops them looking like colourful burgers!



If you're planning on hanging the macarons on pendant necklaces or keyrings now is the time to screw in the

bails. Heat in the oven to harden. Follow the instructions on the polymer clay packet and make sure you don't over heat as this can affect the colour of the clay.





Now you have your mini macarons ready to play with and make into anything your macaron loving hearts desire. I've used some strong all purpose adhesive to glue mine onto earring blanks and create the sweetest studs ever! I also made a little macaron box just because it was too cute not too! Can you think of any other ideas for all these macarons? I've got so many I need help thinking up new things to do with them!



