

EAR PIERCING INSTRUCTIONS

To ensure your own personal safety and comfort, please read the following instructions all the way through before opening your packages. If you have ordered multiple sets of earpiercers™, be sure each user has a copy of these instructions. We recommend Coren® earpiercers™ for earlobes only, but they can also be used for cartilage piercing (healing time is longer). **Red highlighted instructions refer to items available in the optional Accessory Kit.**

1. Precautions: Check your ears for signs of any unhealthy conditions. Do not proceed if skin of the ear is inflamed, sore, or shows symptoms of acne, eczema, or similar condition. If you feel the presence of keloids (interior scar tissue) or cysts within the earlobe, consult a doctor before ear piercing. Obtain the approval of your doctor for ear piercing if you suffer from diabetes, epilepsy, hypertension, heart disease, or hemophilia.

2. Move long hair away from both ears. Temporarily remove existing jewelry, if it is in the way.

3. Wash hands.

4. Place your suppliers on a clean surface. Open packages.

5. Clean earlobes, front and back, with alcohol swabs (provided). **You may apply optional Sting-Relief Medicated Pad at this time.** Allow to dry.

6. If you are using our optional Surgical Marking Pen, put a small dot on each earlobe where you would like to pierce. (An assistant might be helpful.) The special ink can be wiped right off with alcohol. **DO NOT** use any marking device other than an approved surgical pen. Our pen **WILL NOT** leave a permanent mark.

7. Check marks in the mirror. Be sure they appear even, and not too close to the lower edge of the earlobe.

8. If you are using the optional white Handle, place the blue Coren® earpiercer™ into it as shown in *figure 1*. (You can pierce ears without the optional Handle, but we recommend it for self-piercers and first-time users.) If you choose not to employ the Handle, use your index finger to support the “button” behind the clasp (*figure 2*). When held correctly, the earstud points away from your thumb. With your thumb behind the round white stem, try squeezing *gently*, to see how the earpiercer™ closes and holds your earlobe before piercing. Hint: when piercing your own ears; use the left hand for the right ear, and the right hand for the left ear.

Figure 1

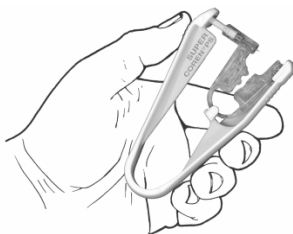
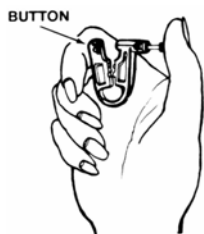


Figure 2



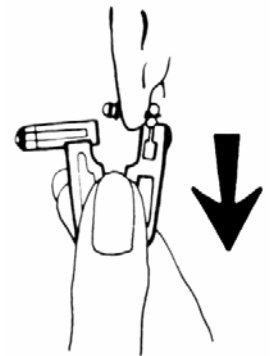
9. Position the **Coren® earpiercer™** on your earlobe. With your thumb behind the white stem, gently close the ear piercer so it grips your ear where you want your new earstud to be. (Squeeze lightly; nothing happens until you have squeezed **firmly**.) Be sure the ear piercer is pointed straight in.



10. Squeeze slowly and firmly until “click” sound is heard. **Congratulations, you now have a pierced ear!** The clasp on the thin end of the stud is automatically attached. Note: It is normal to experience a “warm” feeling in your earlobe. The area may become red, like a blush, for a few minutes. A slight stinging sensation, if any, is very brief.



11. Release squeezing pressure on the earpiercer™ (or **Handle**, if you are using one), so it can open up again. Gently pull the earpiercer™ down toward the shoulder. The clasp will slip out of the earpiercer™ and stay attached to the stud. Throw away the empty ear piercer, but keep the optional white **Handle** for your next ear. If your studs are the 3mm-ball style, gently remove the dull plastic “guide”, if it does not fall away.



12. Repeat steps 8, 9, 10, and 11 for your other ear.

13. Carefully follow **Aftercare Rules** on reverse side.

14. Questions or comments: Visit us online at www.earpiercer.com or call 1 773 844 4960.

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AFTERCARE RULES

*By choosing the **Coren® earpiercing™** method, you have made the first important step in the trouble-free enjoyment of pierced ears. The following simple rules will keep your ears healthy and healing properly:*

- 1.** Be sure your hands are clean before touching your ears.
- 2.** Avoid contact with substances which may irritate your ears, such as hairspray, makeup, etc. In the event of a persistent problem or irritation, consult a physician.
- 3.** Keeping the stud in your ear, use a disposable alcohol swab to clean your new earstud, and surrounding skin, twice a day; and after exposure to unsanitary conditions. Do not use antiseptic ointments, such as bacitracin, unless advised by a physician.
- 4.** We recommend the use of **Ear Care Gel**, available from **earpiercer.com™**, two or three times per day. Gel helps protect the area from irritants. Gel also reduces excessive dryness, so it promotes comfort, better appearance, and faster healing. Gently twist studs after applying gel. Read label instructions.
- 5.** Be careful not to catch your new studs on clothing, hairbrush, etc.
- 6.** Keep the **Coren®** stud in place until your ear is completely healed, usually six weeks. Thicker earlobes may require a longer healing time.
- 7.** At the end of the healing period, you can remove the **Coren®** stud and clasp. We recommend that you choose only good-quality jewelry to wear in your ears for the first several months. This is to avoid irritation of the earlobe, and to keep it from “closing up” again.