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Letter from the Editors

Hey jewelry fans,

Bracelets are always a favorite among bead-loving crafters, but lately, easy bracelet projects have been positively booming on the DIY scene. Jewelry makers just can't get enough quick and easy bracelet patterns, and who can blame them? Simple bracelets are fun to make for yourself and for friends, and they're so fast to put together that you can make them by the wristful. To satisfy all your endless bracelet-making urges, we've pulled together this collection of super easy bracelet projects that can be whipped up in a matter of minutes! In this eBook, you'll find 14 basic bracelets that are low on effort but big on style. From simple macramé patterns to multi-strand designs, these fabulous, no-fuss bracelets are some of the easiest DIYs around, perfect for beginners who are just learning the ropes as well as seasoned jewelry crafters looking for a relaxing project. With this handy roundup of jewelry tutorials, you'll be up to your elbows in awesome accessories before you know it!

This eBook is a collection of wire jewelry patterns from some of our favorite bloggers and jewelry designers all together in one place for your crafting convenience!

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Easiest Bead Bracelet Tutorial

By: Emi from Small Good Things

This simply sweet beginner tutorial is the perfect project for learning how to make beaded bracelets. Get used to working with basic jewelry making tools and components as you make these adorable wrist adornments. They can be made using any beads and colors you like. Nothing could be easier!



Materials:

- beads of your choice
- beading wire (the length you want the bracelet to be + 5cm)
- jump ring
- trigger catch
- a pair of flat-nose pliers
- a pair of round-nose pliers
- a pair of wire cutters



Instructions:

1.) Start by making a "wrapped loop." Grasp one end of the beading wire with round-nose pliers, about 3cm from the edge, and wrap it around the jaw of the pliers to create a loop.



2.) With the loop securely grasped with the round-nose pliers, grasp the tail wire with flat-nose pliers; then wind it neatly around the main wire just below the loop.



3.) When you wrap the tail wire onto the main wire two or three times, cut off the excess wire with wire cutters. Remember to squeeze down the newly cut tip to make it lie flat so that no sharp edge sticks out.





4.) Add your beads to the wire.



5.) After adding all the beads, make a wrapped loop again at the end of the wire.



6.) Open the jump ring using flat-nose pliers and round-nose pliers; then add the trigger catch.



7.) Connect the end of the bracelet to the jump ring; then close the opening with the pliers.



8.) Voila! Easy-peasy, right? You might want to practice making wrapped loops a few times, but this technique will be worth the effort. Wrapped loops are much more durable than simple loops, and it can be applied to making any jewelry.







Simple Square Knot Friendship Bracelets

By: Allison from Quiet Lion Creations

These colorful creations are everything you want in a macrame bracelet pattern: They're quick, they're easy, and they don't take many supplies to make! Follow these instructions to make colorful beaded bracelets for yourself and all your friends. The brighter, the better with these fun, summery bracelets.



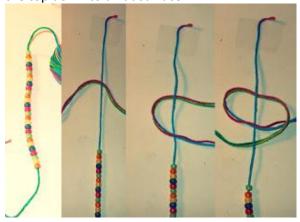
Materials:

- seed beads (size 8 or larger)
- embroidery floss
- tape
- scissors
- magnetic clasp or large bead (about 6mm)
- two crimps



Instructions:

1.) Cut a piece of floss about 1.5 times the length that you will need your bracelet to be. String on enough beads to go around your wrist. (I used 20, but I have small wrists.) Tie a knot at the very bottom of the floss, and tape the top down to a flat surface.



2.) Now, cut two pieces of floss that are about 5 times the length of the thread you already cut. Find the center of these threads. Place it behind the center thread. Now you will knot a square knot. To do this, take your left-side string, bring around to the right, over the center string. Take your right-side string, bring this over to the left, over the left-side string, but behind the center string.



Now, take this same string and bring it up through that left-hand loop, over the left-hand string. Pull evenly on both strings to create the first knot.



To make the second knot, take the right-hand string this time, bring it over center to the left. Take the left, bring it over the right string, yet behind the center.



Once it's behind center, bring it forward through the right loop and over the right string. Pull evenly to secure knot.

3.) Repeat these steps, remembering to always alternate which string you move first; this will create a flat panel instead of a spiral. If you accidentally move the wrong string, you will start to get a spiral pattern, which won't work here!

Once you've got a couple of knots, push one bead up. Knot over this bead to secure. Knot once more.



4.) Keep adding your beads until the thread is all used up. Knot a couple more knots at the end, the same amount that you knotted before adding your first bead. Once you're all even, tie an overhand knot right after your last to end and secure.

Now, you can use your crimps to attach a magnetic clasp. Simply string a crimp onto both sides (for the side that ends with three strings, cut the two and string onto one strand; it'll be too thick if you've got three strands and the crimp won't fit). String on your clasp, bring the string back through the crimp, and crimp shut with pliers. Cut the excess string.



5.) If you want a bead and loop closure, string a crimp onto the side with one strand. Bring the string through the bead's loop or hole, bring the strand back through the crimp, and crimp shut. Cut off the excess. On the other side, simply make another overhand knot, leaving enough space from the first one to fit the bead snugly through. Cut off the excess. It should fit nicely.





Shamballa Bracelet

By: Eva Ferrebee

From Beyonce to Bieber, all the celebrities are wearing these Shamballa bracelets. Learn how to make one of your own by following along with this tutorial Hey, we can't all afford to ice out our wrists like the rich and famous. Accessorize like the stars for less with this easy DIY project.



Materials:

- cording (hemp, leather, etc.)
- six to nine larger beads (depending on your bracelet size)
- two smaller beads
- two very small beads
- clipboard
- paper fastener
- scissors
- glue

Note: Bead size is personal preference. Just make sure your cord goes through the bead hole.

- 1.) Cut one length of cord (center) approximately 16 inches, one cord (wrapping cord) approximately 50 inches, and one cord (closure) approximately 12 inches.
- 2.) Leaving at least 6 inches at the top, fasten one end of the center cord to the clipboard and the other end with the fastener to secure.
- 3.) Place the wrapping cord under the center cord and position in the center. Tie square knots for approximately ½ inch. (If you need instructions on tying a square knot, see next page.)
- 4.) Place one of the smaller beads on the center cord. Slide it up to the square knots, and then tie three square knots after the bead to secure.
- 5.) Place one of the larger beads on the center cord. Slide it up to the square knots, and then tie two square knots after the bead to secure.
- 6.) Continue step 5 for all large beads, but on the last bead, tie three square knots.
- 7.) Place the other smaller bead on the center cord. Slide it up to the square knots, and then secure in place with another square knot.
- 8.) Continue with the square knots for approximately ½ inch (match the beginning square knot length).
- 9.) Using the outside wrapping cords, tie an overhand knot tightly and then dab a tiny amount of glue on the knot to secure. When the glue is dry, trim the cord.



Closure:

- 10.) Position the ends of the bracelet's cords (you should have some good length there) together, one facing one side, the other facing the other, but next to one another. Take the 12-inch closure cord and slide under these cords so that the closure cord is centered under them. Create about an inch of square knots with the closure cord enclosing the bracelet ends (one bracelet end coming out of the top of the square knots, and one bracelet end coming out of the bottom of the square knots).
- 11.) Using the ends of the closure cord, tie an overhand knot and dab a tiny amount of glue on it.

SPECIAL NOTE: BE CAREFUL HERE – Do not glue the closure to the bracelet cords or they will not "slide" in the closure.

Finishing:

12.) Slide a small bead on the ends of each of the bracelet ends, and tie a knot in the cords to keep the beads on. Remember not to tie these knots too close to closure. You want to be able to loosen the bracelet to get it on and off.

How to Tie a Square Knot (for bracelet):

- 1.) Begin with center cord(s) straight up and down (fasten to secure).
- 2.) Take second cord and place under the center cord horizontally and centered.
- 3.) Position the left side over the center cords, leaving an open area.
- 4.) Take the right side and place over the left cord, then under the center cord(s) and up through the loop that was formed in step 3.
- 5.) Pull gently on the two ends and tighten. This forms the first half of the square knot.
- 6.) Position the right side over the center cord(s), leaving an open area.
- 7.) Take the left side and place over the right cord, then under the center cord(s) and up through the loop that was formed in step 6.
- 8.) Pull gently on the two ends and tighten. This forms your completed square knot.



Inverted Square Knot Bracelet

By: Allison from Quiet Lion Creations

This macramé design is a fun twist on traditional square knot bracelets and is just as easy to make. Get easy breezy summer style by following these super simple instructions Make a bunch and give them as fabulous friendship bracelets to all your most fashionable pals!



Materials:

- cotton thread
- bead and crimps (for closure)
- 3mm glass gemstone beads
- scissors
- tape



Instructions:

1.) Gather materials. Needed are 3mm glass gemstone beads, cotton thread for knotting, scissors, tape, and a bead and crimp for closure.



2.) Start the knots. Cut one length of your cotton thread about one and a half times the length of your wrist. Tape the top to your table. Cut one length of cotton cord that is about four times the length of the thread you just cut; this will be your knotting thread.

Now you will knot a square knot. To do this, take your left-side string; bring around to the right, over the center string. Take your right-side string; bring this over to the left, over the left-side string, but behind the center string.

Now, take this same string and bring it up through that left-hand loop, over the left-hand string. Pull evenly on both strings to create the first knot.

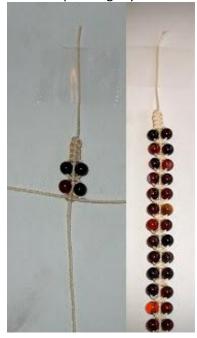
To make the second knot, take the right-hand string this time; bring it over center to the left. Take the left; bring it over the right string, yet behind the center.

Once it's behind center, bring it forward through the right loop and over the right string. Pull evenly to secure knot.

3.) Once you have a couple of square knots, take either side of the thread and add beads to these threads. The number of beads will depend on how you want your bracelet to look. Once you've added all your beads (make sure there's an even amount on each side), tie knots at the end of these threads to hold the beads on.



4.) Now, you will do a square knot with the beads on the outside (instead of the inside). Take two beads right up to the last knot. Make a square knot, making sure the beads are caught in the knot and lie right on either side of the center thread. Tie one more square knot to hold the beads in place tightly.



5.) Continue this method. Once you have gotten one square knot set, continue to knot in this way until your bracelet is as long as you need. To finish, add the bead and crimp to one end; crimp to close. Make a loop with the other end (big enough so the bead fits snugly), and crimp closed.







Pandora-Style Crystal Bracelet

By: Sandy from Keepsake Crafts

You don't have to shell out the cash to keep up with the trends. Learn how to make beaded bracelets that look like the real thing for less and save yourself a few bucks! This simple bracelet design uses chunky glass beads and large crystal bicones, making this project beyond easy and quick to put together. It's perfect for beginners!



Materials:

- 9 large-hole glass beads
- 11 10mm glass bicone beads
- 6-8 small glass beads
- toggle clasp
- beading wire
- two split rings
- two crimp beads
- split ring tool
- wire cutters
- chain nose pliers
- hemostats (or other bead stop)

- 1.) Cut a 14-inch piece of beading wire. Clamp hemostats or affix a bead stop to one end of the wire. String bicone beads alternating with glass beads onto the wire. Add 3/4 inch of small glass beads to one end of wire.
- 2.) Add or remove beads to adjust strand length to equal 3/4 inch less than desired bracelet length.
- 3.) Use split ring tool to add a split ring to each piece of toggle clasp.
- 4.) To attach toggle clasp pieces to ends of bracelet, string a crimp bead onto wire; then string wire through split ring. (Be sure to attach toggle bar to end of bracelet with 3/4 inch of small glass beads.) Slide wire back through crimp bead and flatten bead with chain nose pliers. Slide end of wire through a few beads on bracelet. Cut off excess wire.
- 5.) Repeat to attach other piece of toggle clasp to other end of bracelet. Don't pull too tightly on wire when crimping or bracelet will be stiff and not drape nicely.



Three-Step Beaded Cuff Bracelet

By: Gloria Uhler from Domestic Diva

Safety pins have never looked so chic. Put your pins to use with this easy stash-buster bracelet. Whether you're a pro or a novice, this no-fuss tutorial will undoubtedly yield satisfying results. Get ready to use all of those seed beads you've been saving up for one miraculously busy, but tasteful, bracelet.



Materials:

- bag of 6/0 multi-colored seed beads (blue, green, and red)
- 6/0 silver beads—approx. 104
- 3/0 silver beads—approx. 104
- 1mm stretchy cord
- Krazy Glue
- Dritz #2 Safety Pins (1.5 inches long)

- 1.) Open a pin and slip three colored beads onto it, followed by two 6mm silver beads, and then three more colored beads. Close the pin. The multi-colored beads come in a bag and are not all perfectly uniform in size, with some being thicker than others. As you add beads to the safety pins, the idea is to fill the pin and minimize spacing between beads. As you work, select as many similar sized beads as possible.
- 2.) I used 52 pins for a 6.5-inch bracelet. Measure your wrist to determine if you need more. Cut two lengths of stretchy cord to measure 8 inches. Thread the pins onto the cord, alternating between pin bottoms and tops. Place a 3mm silver bead between pins. The orientation of the last pin on the cord should be opposite the first pin. After adding the last pin, add a 3mm silver bead to each cord.
- 3.) Place the bracelet wrong side down on your work surface. Bring the top cord ends together and tie them each into three knots. Do the same with the bottom cord ends. Dot the knots with Krazy Glue. When the glue is completely dry, trim the cords and turn your bracelet right-side out.



Beaded Diamond Hemp Bracelet

By: Kirsten Nunez from Studs and Pearls

Diamonds are a girl's best friend, as this simple hemp bracelet pattern proves. Casually chic, these fun and flirty bracelets couldn't be easier to make or more fun to wear. They look best layered, so be sure to make a bunch! It shouldn't take long to knock out a whole bevy of these basic beaded bracelets.



Materials:

- thin waxed linen cord, or any other type of thin cord
- jewelry clasp, at least two jump rings and two crimp beads
- beads of your choice you'll need exactly 16! (Just be sure that the holes are big enough to fit two strands of cord! I used beads that are known as "E" beads, from Michael's)
- scissors and jewelry pliers (not shown)



Instructions:

1.) Cut a long piece of cord, eight times the length of your wrist.

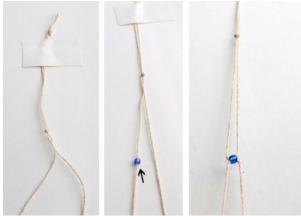


2.) Fold the length of cord perfectly in half and tie a small knot/loop. If you'd like, tie another knot a few inches down for a little decoration.





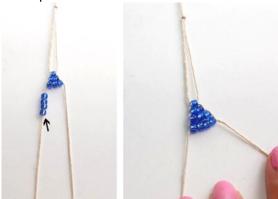
3.) It might help to tape the cord down while you work. Slide one bead onto one strand (second photo). Take the other strand and insert it through the bottom side of the hole (as indicated by the arrow in the second photo) and through the bead. Tighten and pull both strands straight; you should end up with the third photo.



4.) Slide two beads onto one strand of the cord (first photo). Insert the other strand through the bottom side and through the bead (indicated by the arrow in the first photo) and tighten/pull. You'll end up with the second photo. Repeat again, with three beads (third photo).



5.) Slide four beads onto one of the strands, and thread the other strand through (first photo). You'll end up with the second photo below, the widest part of the diamond.



6.) Continue repeating the same technique, with three beads, and then again with two.



7.) And then one last time, with one bead.



8.) Slide a crimp bead onto one of the strands.



9.) Take the end of that strand and carefully thread it back through the crimp bead, so that a small loop forms.





10.) Flatten the crimp bead with the flat portion of the jewelry pliers.



11.) Repeat steps 8-10 on the other strand. Insert a jump ring through both of the loops; then attach to a jewelry clasp.



12.) If you'd like, tie another knot between the beaded diamond and the clasp, just as you did in the first half.



13.) Your bracelet is all done!











Earthy Granola Beaded Bracelet

By: Sandy from Keepsake Crafts

This basic bead bracelet has a crunchy hippie vibe that is easy and effortless. If you're a fan of simple DIY bracelets, you'll love this nosupplies-needed project. No tools are required to put this piece together! You'll have a new, bohemian chic bracelet to wear in no time.



Materials:

- three 1-inch wooden beads
- six 3/8-inch wooden beads
- 15 inches 1mm leather cord
- one lobster clasp
- 1½ inches chain
- scissors

- 1.) Trim ends of leather cord at an angle. Slide on one 3/8-inch bead, one 1-inch bead, and another 3/8-inch bead. Make knots in cord at either side of 3/8-inch beads.
- 2.) Make another knot in cord ½ inch away from previous knot. Slide on one 3/8-inch bead, one 1-inch bead, and another 3/8-inch bead. Make another knot in cord after second 3/8-inch bead. Repeat to use final three beads.
- 3.) Tie lobster clasp to one side and chain to other side of remaining cord. Make several knots along cord if desired. Trim ends at an angle.



Arm Candy Macrame BraceletsBy: Eva Ferrebee

These "arm candy" bracelets are all the rage with celebs and fashionistas. Follow these easy instructions to make your own stackable square knot beaded bracelets in every color of the rainbow. It's a fun and easy project that's perfect for layered accessorizing. The more the merrier with these, and since they're so quick to whip up, you'll have time to make a whole wristful!



Materials:

- your choice of cording (leather, jute, cotton, etc.)
- your choice of beads (just make sure your bead holes will accommodate the cord size)
- clipboard
- small binder clip
- scissors
- super glue
- nail polish
- decorative shank button

- 1.) Cut one length of cord approximately 24 inches. Fold in half and secure looped side under clip on clipboard. Secure the two free ends with the binder clip on lower edge of clipboard.
- 2.) Cut second length of cord approximately 60 inches long and center under the two cords on your clipboard.
- 3.) Make square knots for 1¼ to 1½ inches. Note: Make sure your button can pass through the loop at the top before you continue.
- 4.) Place one bead on left side and bring to top. Repeat on other side
- 5.) Square knot under the beads either once or twice (depending on desired look).
- Repeat steps 4 and 5 for desired length (approximately 4 inches for a 7-inch bracelet).
- 7.) Square knot another 1¼ to 1½ inches.
- 8.) Release the two cords secured with the binder clip and slip both through the shank button. Position button under last square knot.
- 9.) Make two square knots under button to secure.
- 10.) Take two left cords and tie together tightly. Repeat with two right cords.
- 11.) Put a drop of super glue on ends; let dry.
- 12.) Once glue is dry, clip ends close to knots.
- 13.) Fasten and wear your new "Arm Candy" bracelet.



Knockoff Neon Drawstring Bracelet

By: <u>Donatella from Inspiration & Realisation</u>

Make a bracelet that will stand out against your wrist with this easy tutorial. Made entirely from materials found at your local hardware store, this project exemplifies how jewelry designs can be inspired from the most unlikely items. This step-by-step tutorial can be completed in no time. Gather all of your unlikely materials and get to work on an electric piece of jewelry!



Materials:

- slightly less than a yard of nylon rope
- a lighter (or a candle, or even a few matches)
- round nose pliers
- scissors (and cutting pliers, not pictured)
- copper crimp connectors (available in the electrical aisle - these are two different sizes; they come in 50-unit packs and they are about \$5)



Instructions:

1.) Cut the rope in half (and burn the ends); slide both ends into one of the small crimp connectors.



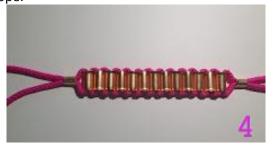
2.) Pass both of the other ends of the rope through the bigger size crimp connectors.



3.) Keep using the connectors as tube beads. (Also, alternate the wider part so the bracelet will stay even.)



4.) Keep doing this until you reach the desired length of the bracelet (about 5 inches) and slide another small connector onto both ends of the rope.





5.) Using cutting pliers, cut one of the bigger crimp connectors in half.



6.) Try to get one half as round as possible (use sand paper or a nail file to make the cutting side smooth).



7.) Now pass all four ends of the rope through the half connector that will function as a slider (it's really tight).



8.) Take two small connectors and, keeping the narrower part toward the bracelet, slide two ends of the rope in each one.



9.) Cut the excess rope and make the strings even; leave about 1/8-inch of rope hanging out of the connector.



10.) With the lighter, burn the excess rope and, while melting, tap it onto a smooth surface (glass, steel, cutting board). In a matter of seconds, the nylon will harden and turn into plastic, and the connector will stay firmly in place.





Stacked Ombre Cording Bracelets

By: Bev from Flamingo Toes

These fashionable bracelets bring two DIY trends together in one awesome jewelry project. Learn how to make cord bracelets that are perfect suited for stacking and feature a fun, fading ombre color scheme. How can such easy-to-make bracelets have so much style?



Materials:

- · cording for each bracelet
- one brass square "tube" I got mine at Ace Hardware, but any hardware store should have something similar
- two crimp ends for each bracelet
- one lobster clasp, one small jump ring, one large jump ring - for each bracelet
- wire stripper/cutters or other cutter or saw
- spray paint
- one large yarn needle
- flat-nosed and round-nosed pliers

Instructions:

1.) We're going to start with the brass tube. Mine was about 12 inches long – plenty for doing five bracelets. This one is a 1/8-inch square. Cut five pieces from the brass tube (if you want to make all five bracelets); the pieces should be 1 ¼ inches long. (If you have small wrists or are making for a child, decrease this size.)



I used some wire strippers that had cutters on the end – but you could also use a dremel or something similar. See how these have one flat side and one cutting side at the top? That worked great for cutting the brass square and not just pinching it together.



2.) Once you have all five pieces cut, sand the ends with coarse sandpaper. If the ends are a little pinched, you can insert flat-nosed jewelry pliers in the hole and pry them back apart.





- 3.) Next, spray paint all your bars
- 4.) Once your bars are good and dry, cut your cording pieces. You'll want three pieces of each color measure your wrist and cut the length around your wrist plus 1 inch.



5.) Add one of the cording pieces to a large yarn needle. Feed the needle through the painted tube.



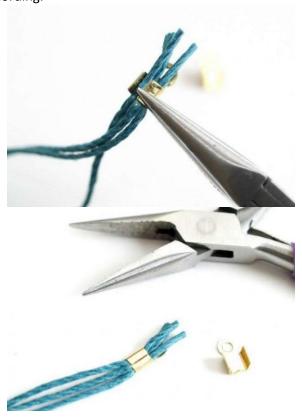
6.) Add the other two cording pieces to the tube. If it's a little tight getting the needle through, you can pull it through with your pliers.



7.) Even up the cording pieces on one end and add them to a crimp end. (This will crimp around the end and it should have a little hole on one end.) Leave a little of the cording above the crimp end; you'll trim that off later.

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8.) Fold one side of the crimp end over the cording pieces; then fold the other side over with your flatnosed pliers. Crimp the pieces tightly over the cording.



- 9.) Once the end is tightly clamped around the cording, trim off the small ends. Embroidery scissors work great for this.
- 10.) Add a crimp end to the other end of the cording. My bracelet cording measures 6 inches. You'll want to check your measurement around your wrist, keeping in mind you'll have closure hardware between the ends.





11.) Add a small jump ring to one end, with a lobster clasp.



12.) Add a larger jump ring to the other end.





13.) And that finishes your first bracelet! Now you can make several more!









Turq Beaded Bracelet Knockoff

By: Emi from Small Good Things

This one's for all you bead hoarders out there! This knockoff design is one of the best projects to use up that burgeoning bead stash while creating a trendy new piece perfect for a night on the town. Mix and match bead cuts and colors to see what cute combinations you can come up with.



Materials:

- beads—you'll need lots of different kinds (I used seed beads, glass pearls, cotton pearls, freshwater pearls, Swarovski crystals, and Czech Fire Polish)
- jump rings, 2x number of strands on spacer bar + 2 (I used 7-strand spacer bars and 16 jump rings)
- calottes, two for each strand of beads
- two multi-strand spacer bars (I used 7strand spacer bars)
- a hook clasp
- crimp beads, two for each strand of beads
- bead string
- beading needle
- flat-nose and round-nose pliers

Instructions:

1.) Thread the needle; add a crimp bead and slide it towards the end of the thread. I'm using black thread for the tutorial only; please use neutral color thread!



2.) Thread the needle through the crimp bead again and pull the thread snugly.



3.) Crimp the bead with flat-nose pliers.



4.) Add the calotte and trim the excess thread.



5.) Close the calotte with flat-nose pliers.





6.) Add beads until it reaches 15cm (or the length you want the bracelet to be).



7.) Add a calotte and crimp bead the same way as in step 1 and 2 (but in reverse).



8.) Trim the excess thread and close the calotte with pliers. Now you have one strand done!



9.) Make as many beaded strands as you wish. I made 15 strands in total.



10.) Using round-nose pliers, bend and make a loop at the end of the calotte.



11.) Connect two or three beaded strands to a jump ring; then connect it to the spacer bar. Repeat the process to connect all beaded strands on spacer bars.



12.) With jump rings, attach a pair of hook clasp on both ends of spacer bars. And...you're done!





DIY Hex Nut Bracelet

By: <u>Eva Ferrebee</u>

Everyone's going nuts for hex nut bracelets! Don't be the last to get in on the hardware store jewelry trend. Follow this tutorial and learn the simple technique to make your very industrial chic bracelet.



Materials:

- 18 small hex nuts
- 3 yards of leather cord
- scissors
- craft wire
- wire cutters
- flat nose pliers
- clipboard (or something to hold your work)
- two split rings
- one charm
- one small jump ring
- one closure of your choice

- 1.) Cut leather cord into three sections of approximately 1 yard each. Fold the three lengths of cord in half and loop (with half hitch) over split ring. Secure the ring on the clipboard and braid for 1 inch. Separate the cords into three sections of two.
- 2.) Thread a hex nut onto the far left cords and position nut close to base of braid; cross cords to center.
- 3.) Thread a hex nut onto the far right cords and position nut close to base of previous hex nut; cross cords to center.
- 4.) Repeat steps 2 and 3 for all 18 hex nuts. Braid for approximately 3 inches.
- 5.) Tie the left and middle sections, then the middle and right to secure.
- 6.) Fold the braided section onto itself approximately 1 inch and thread the end through the second split ring, positioning the ring at the fold.
- 7.) Using the loose cord ends, tie a knot at the base of the knot, securing both knotted end and bracelet.
- 8.) Using a piece of wire, wrap directly below the knot to secure. Flatten edges with pliers.
- 9.) Using another piece of wire, wrap the loose ends approximately 1 inch up and secure; flatten with pliers. Trim ends.
- 10.) On beginning split ring, open split ring gently and attach charm.
- 11.) Open jump ring; attach closure to open jump ring, and then open jump ring to the split ring with the charm. Close jump ring.



Sea Glass Stretch Bracelet

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This super easy bracelet is the ideal project for beginners as well as veteran beaders looking for an easy, stress-free design. Simply string a few of your favorite beads on an elastic strand, and voila! You have a brand new bracelet in a matter of minutes. When making bracelets is this simple, there's no reason not to join in on the fun.



Instructions:

- 1.) Tip: Don't cut the elastic from the spool before stringing your beads. This gives you a built-in bead stop.
- 2.) Pre-stretch approximately 10 inches of elastic before starting to string your beads. String the following pattern six times, having bead caps facing sea glass beads:

bead cap > sea glass bead > bead cap > accent bead

- 3.) To tie off elastic, wrap right end over left twice and pull snug; then wrap left over right twice and pull tight.
- 4.) Pull knot slightly away from bead it is closest to and add a drop of super glue into hole of bead. Gently pull elastic until knot is inside bead with glue. Allow to dry thoroughly before trimming elastic ends.

Materials:

- six 20mm sea glass beads
- 12 bead caps
- six 9mm accent beads
- 10 inches beading elastic
- super glue





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