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How to

Make a Bead & Ring Wrap Bracelet

SUPPLIES

- Waxed linen cord or S-Lon (it must fit through size 6/0 seed beads)
- 1 or more strands size 6/0 seed beads
- 4mm soldered rings
- Button or large bead for closure



HOW MANY BEADS & RINGS DO YOU NEED?

The number of beads and rings you'll need depends on the number of wraps you plan to make. A two-wrap bracelet will probably use about one strand 6/0 beads and about 120-150 rings.

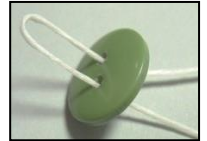
HOW MUCH CORD DO YOU NEED?

Determine the number of times you want the bracelet to wrap around your wrist. Measure your wrist and multiply that by the number of wraps you're going to make, then multiply that number by 2 (because you'll be folding the length of cord in half). Finally, add 10 inches, to accommodate knots, and that is your length.

EXAMPLE For a 3-wrap bracelet with a finished length of 6 ½ inches:
 $6.5" \times 3 = 19 \frac{1}{2}$ inches, $\times 2 = 39$ inches, $+ 10 = 49$ inches of cord.

GETTING STARTED

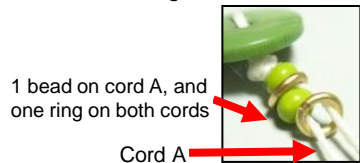
1. String the button onto the cord so the button is centered and the cord ends are equal. You can use either a shank or a sew-through button, as long as the cord fits through the holes.
2. Tie a knot at the base of the button.



STRINGING BEADS & RINGS

You'll be stringing the beads onto just one cord at a time, alternating sides, so we're referring to the cords as A and B.

3. String one BEAD onto Cord A and one RING onto both Cords A and B.
4. String one BEAD onto Cord B and one RING onto both Cords A and B.



1 bead on cord A, and
one ring on both cords

Cord A

Repeat these steps until you've reached the desired length, then tie knots to create loops for your button clasp.



1 bead on cord B, and
one ring on both cords

Cord B

FINISHING

When you have reached the length you want, be sure to end with a bead (the ring will just fall off), and leave at least 8 to 10 inches for your finishing.

Tie a knot close to the last bead. Tie another knot, making sure it fits over your button, and you are done!

If you want, string some size 11 seed beads on both strands before tying the final knot (check to see if they fit – some do and some don't).



TIPS

- You can use 4mm jump rings, you'll just have to close them all before starting.
- Waxed linen works well because it's easy to roll the tip through your fingers so it continues to fit easily through the beads. If you're using S-Lon or a similar cord, coat a few inches of the ends in Fray Check or with nail polish to stiffen them. If they get a bit worn, trim the end so it's nice and sharp again.
- For an adjustable length bracelet, make two loops at the end so you can choose to wear it snug or loose.
- An alternative technique is to string beads and rings onto cord A, stringing one bead and two rings, until you have the desired length. Then, on cord B, string one bead and bring the cord through the next two rings.

