

Fabric Bead Making

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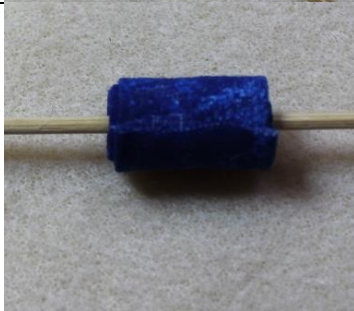
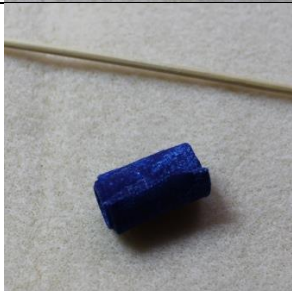
Suggested Wire-Wrapping Supplies and Tools -

Tools	Supplies
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 12" wood or plastic ruler 2. Paper cutting Scissor 3. Fabric cutting Scissors 4. Q-tips for spreading glue. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. White glue (Elmer's or Tacky brand). 2. Wooden skewer 3. Assorted printed or plain Fabric – light cotton or is easiest to work with 4. Or colored or patterned Paper – (origami paper or heavy wrapping paper) 5. Double sided fabric or craft tape (½ inch to 5/8 inch) 6. Stretch Magic or elastic cord 5mm to 1mm 7. Beads with Medium to large hole (to fit your choice of stringing material)

Instructions:

Making the Beads

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cut Fabric or Paper strips – approximately 1 ½ inches by 6 to 7 inches – (for 5/8 inch tape) if using ½ inch tape cut strips 1 inch wide. - Hint: make a paper template for a cutting guide. 	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Lay a piece of double sided tape sticky side down along the center of the wrong side of the fabric and press it down firmly to make sure it is sticks securely. 	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Remove the paper strip from the double sided tape. Hint: if the tape is hard to remove, try to start it from the side instead of the end. 	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Fold sides of fabric over sticky tape so they meet in the center – Try not to overlap 	

<p>5. Cut a notch from each corner on one side of the fabric</p>	
<p>6. Place skewer on end where you notched the corners and roll fabric tightly around skewer until you rolled up all the fabric to form a bead. – Try to roll evenly so sides are straight.</p>	
<p>7. Using the Q-tip, spread glue on the end of the fabric and secure to the bead</p>	
<p>8. Remove completed bead from the skewer and set aside to let glue dry.</p>	
<p>9. Repeat until you have enough beads for a necklace or bracelet of the desired length – usually a minimum of 14 to 16 for necklace. And 7 to 8 for a bracelet.</p> <p>Let the glue on the beads dry for about 15 minutes before stringing and for 12 hours before wearing completed necklace.</p>	

Making a necklace or Bracelet with your Fabric Beads

1. Select beads to complement your fabric beads
2. String the beads you made with the other beads in the pattern you desire on the stretchy cord.
3. Secure ends of cord with square knot or double knot.

