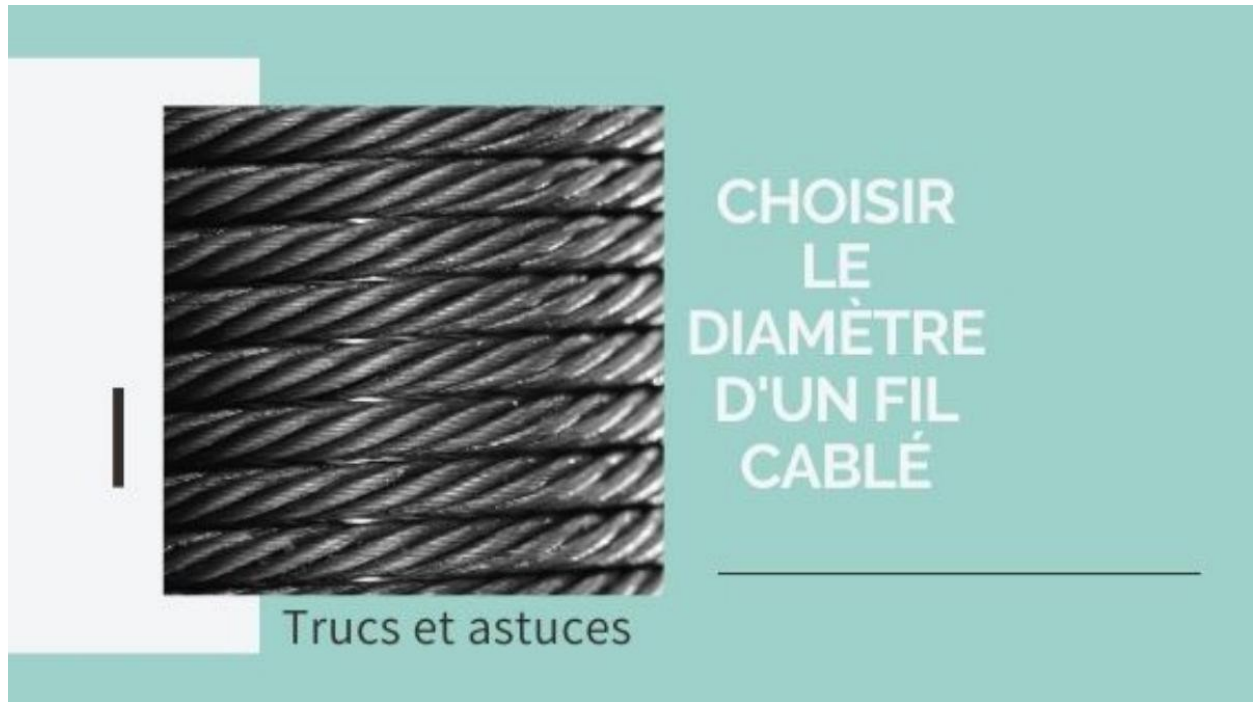


HOW TO CHOOSE BEADING WIRE

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Which wire to make jewelry?

How to choose the diameter of a wire? How to make an adequate installation?

To do this, you must evaluate the degree of flexibility required, the diameter of the hole in the beads you will use, and the strength needed to maintain your creation.

The wire is made of several small strands of stainless steel sheathed in nylon.

It is the most resistant material that can be used in the field of jewelry creation.

The higher the number of strands, the more the wire is flexible.

For example, 49-strand wire is more flexible than 7-wire wire .

There are several factors to consider when choosing a wire.

You must first think about the degree of flexibility you want for your creation.

For example, a bracelet should be flexible, because it must surround nicely the wrist but should not interfere in clothing, and it is subject to a lot of friction and tugging.

A simple pearl necklace will not need as much flexibility.

So choose 49-strand wire when your creative requires great flexibility, 19-strand wire when your creative requires great flexibility, and 7-strand wire when your creative requires average flexibility.

Now that you have chosen the flexibility level of the wire, you must consider its diameter. Choose a wire that occupies the majority of the hole diameter of the beads you will use. The wire is offered in a wide variety of diameters, from 0.25 mm ideal for rockeries, to 0.91 mm more suitable for glass beads. The most commonly used wire strands have diameters of 0.38 or 0.46 mm.

Finally the strength of the assembly will depend on the weight of your creation, the frequency with which you intend to wear it, the value of the beads used, etc ...

The resistance of the thread is specified on the packaging.

The strength of your creation will also depend on a good technique of crushing pearls to crush.

Indeed, a bad crush may weaken the wire, which will tend to break at the pearl crush.

We invite you to use a clip specifically designed to crush the beads, and to follow the steps illustrated below:



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