

3 TIPS FOR STRINGING BEADS QUICKLY

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In summer, we love to wear pearl bracelets on our wrists. But stringing pearls on elastic thread or jade wire can be monotonous, time-consuming and tedious, especially when they're very small.

Discover 3 tips to put an end to the drudgery of stringing pearls.

1 - use stringed beads

The advantage is that they're already strung on wire. If you're happy with the length, all you have to do is tie a knot or attach a clasp, depending on the material of the wire, to make a necklace.



2 - use a bead mill

This little device is made up of three parts: the base, the bead mill that holds the beads and turns on the base, and the hook needle with a large eye, over which you'll thread the thread.

How to use the bead mill

1- Fill the mill with beads.

2- Point your hook downwards.

3- Turn the mill counter-clockwise at a fairly high speed.

4- Depending on the angle, you'll see the beads rise up the hook.

5- Once the hook shank is full, stop turning, taking care not to let the beads slip off.

6- Slide the beads onto the thread, then start again.

Tip: do you know how many beads you'll need to make a bracelet or necklace? For a 19 cm bracelet, you'll need 96 round 2 mm beads. For a 51 cm necklace, you'll need 85 6 mm beads. Refer to our correspondence chart to find out [how many beads to use](#) for your project.



3 - use a bead threading needle

Speedle Needles are specially designed for quickly threading seed beads onto wire. They feature a large bendable eye and a barbed end.

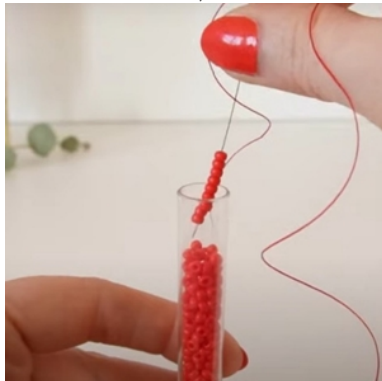
Use this twisted-wire needle to thread beads with nylon, silk and Kevlar threads, monofilaments or elastic cords, and create fantastic DIY costume jewelry. But beware, it's not suitable for bead weaving.

How do I use a beading needle?

- To thread beads onto your thread, knot one end of the thread and pass the other through the folding eye of the beading needle.

- Then quickly push the barbed end in and out of the bead container several times, pausing occasionally to push the beads over the eye and onto your thread.

- Once the first set of beads has been threaded over the eye, the eye collapses and clings very well to the thread. For this reason, twisted-wire needles are perfect for threading larger materials such as ribbon, silk and thread.



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