



Floating Bead Bracelet

Finals got you stressed?
Make a floating bead
fidget bracelet or keychain
to spin away your worries.



Ingredients (Included)

- silk cord (around 3-4 feet)
- 10 wooden beads
- keyring

You Supply:

- scissors
- optional: glue or mod podge, superglue

Directions:

1. Take your silk cord and fold it in half. Tie a knot at the folded end, leaving a loop slightly larger than your beads.

Optional, but recommended: To make it easier to thread, add a dab of glue, Mod Podge, or clear nail polish to the ends of your cord and let them dry.

2. Start adding your beads. Loop one cord through one side of the bead, and the other cord through the other side of the bead. Pull on the cord until the bead is even and tight.



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This can be tricky if the bead's hole doesn't seem wide enough. Tweezers can help. So can using a toothpick to poke through first, to scrape away rough edges that catch on the cord. You can also switch to a few strands of embroidery floss instead of the cord.

Directions, cont.:

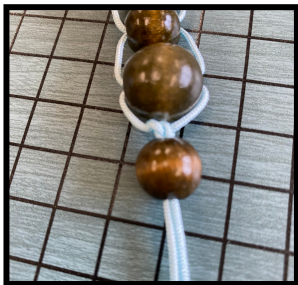
3. Keep adding beads in this manner, making sure that each bead is even on each side. It's easy to get lopsided!

4. When you're reached your desired length, tie a knot close to the last bead. Depending on the size of your wrist, you may want more or less beads.

5. Now thread another bead through both ends of the cord and tie knots around the bead so that both ends are secure. This will be your clasp.

6. Cut the ends, and secure them with glue, Mod Podge, or even super glue so that the clasp won't pull off.

If your bracelet doesn't fit, it can be a keychain instead! Attach the keyring to the loop at the top.



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