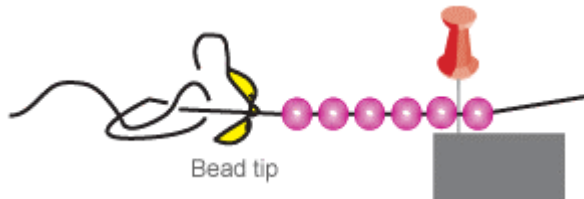


How To Use Bead Tips

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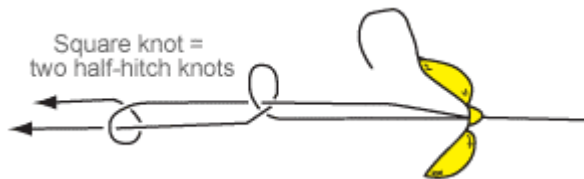
- Bead Tips
- Pliers, Chain Nose
- Pliers, Flat Nose
- Thread or Cord
- Beading Needles
- Clasps

STEP 1



There are three types of metal bead tips. All three cover the final knot and attach to the clasp with a metal hook that you bend over the clasp loop with pliers. The bottom clamp-on style of bead tip is available in a variety of finishes. When finished, bead tips look like small, metal beads at each end of the strand; a clean, professional look. You'll need two bead tips. Prepare the needles and cord as before. Where you would normally attach to your clasp, tie a loop knot in the cord and put it over the thumbtack. Leave the knot loose and let it extend 2-3". Thread both needles through the first bead tip. Knot after the bead tip and pull the knot snug. Do not close the bead tip yet.

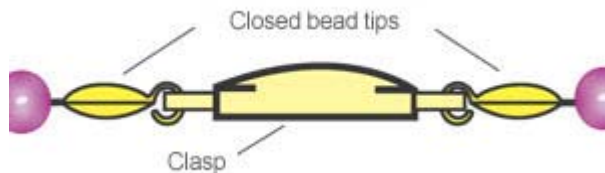
STEP 2



String the beads and knot as before. This time knot after every bead, including the last one. Now thread both needles through the bottom of the second bead tip. Secure it with 2 half-hitch knots.

Put a drop of thin glue on the double knot. Cut the open loop knot from step 1 in half so there are 2 ends and tie them together with a square knot inside the first bead tip. Dot this knot with glue. When dry, carefully trim the excess cord.

STEP 3



Now, close the cups of the bead tips by pressing them together with chain nose or flat nose pliers. don't let the cups twist. Attach the hooks to the clasp with round nose pliers.