

Bedazzle Beads

Project 1 - Elasticated Bracelets

Components:

18x 8mm or 10mm round beads
18x Bead Caps
30cm of 0.5mm or 0.8mm clear elastic
Hypo Cement

Tools:

Bead Board
Bulldog Clip (Optional)
Side Cutters



Step 1: Lay the beads in the pattern you want, usually measuring 7-7.5 inches

Step 2: Place a bulldog clip (or similar) to the end of your elastic, to stop the beads falling off, then thread the beads onto the elastic



Step 3: Check the bracelet around your wrist, making sure the beads fit comfortably ... Not too tight, as this can overstretch the elastic. Try to make sure larger holed beads are near to where you will tie the knot, so this can be hidden inside the bead.

Step 4: Once you are happy with the fit, tie an overhand knot, then finally tie the knot twice, before pulling it tight



Step 5: Before cutting the ends, dab a spot of hypo cement (designed specifically for sealing knots and also dries in 10 minutes)

Step 6: Cut the excess ends and hide the knot inside the beads and there you have the finished bracelet ... Try various bead types & sizes for differing effects



Here are some finished design ideas to try ...



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