

Ending Technique: Glue on End Caps

Supplies

1. End cap with loop, x2, with specified width of opening below:
 - a. 4mm opening for #18 s-lon or c-lon
 - b. 5-6mm opening for 1mm cord
 - c. 6-7mm opening for 1.5mm cord
 - d. 9mm opening for 2mm cord
2. Glue – 2 part 5 minute Epoxy (any brand, clear color), E6000, etc.
3. Clasp; toggle or lobster
4. Jump rings, 5mm, x2 for toggle clasp or ~7 for lobster/adjustable length clasp
5. 26 or 24 gauge wire, ~6 inches

Tools

1. Bent nose, chain nose or flat nose pliers
2. Scissors or Thread Zapper

Step 1

Bend two segments of wire in half, see Figure 1.

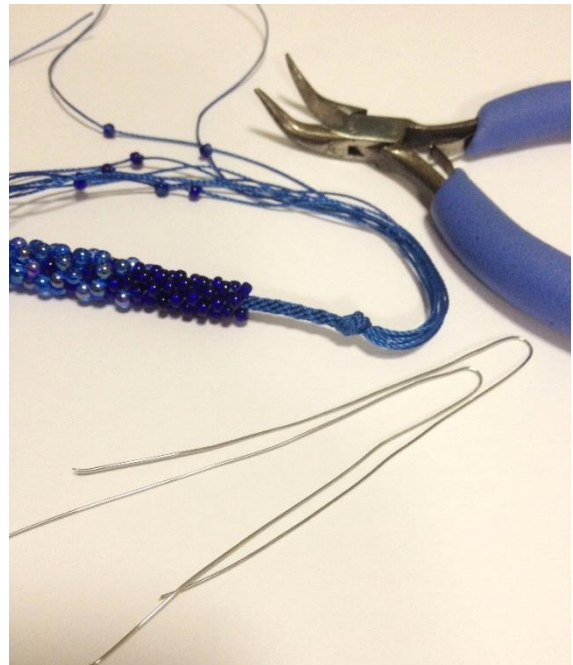


Figure 1

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Step 2

Use one piece of bent wire and place bend at end of beaded section of braid or determined end of fiber only braid. See Figure 2.

Step 3

Lay braid on flat surface and bend as tightly as possible in opposite directions around the braid. See Figure 3.



Figure 2



Figure 3

Step 4

Pick up the braid and wrap the two ends of wire in opposite directions to the other side of the braid. See Figure 4.



Figure 4

Step 5

Use pliers to pull both wire ends at the same time to tighten the wire as much as possible on the braid. See Figure 5



Figure 3



Figure 4

Step 6

Lay braid on flat surface and bend as tightly as possible in opposite directions as in Step 3. See Figure 6.



Figure 5

Step 7

Repeat steps 4-6 for a thicker braid if you feel it is necessary for a secure ending. Once you are satisfied with the number of wraps around the braid grab both wire ends with pliers and twist to tighten against the braid, see Figure 7. Use your wire cutters to carefully cut the twist close to your wire wraps around the braid.

Step 8

Use your sharp scissors or Thread Zapper to cut close to the end of the wire wraps. Trim the braid until you feel you have a good fit for your chosen glue-in end caps. **Test fit your cap!** See Figure 8. Apply glue of choice to braid and cap.

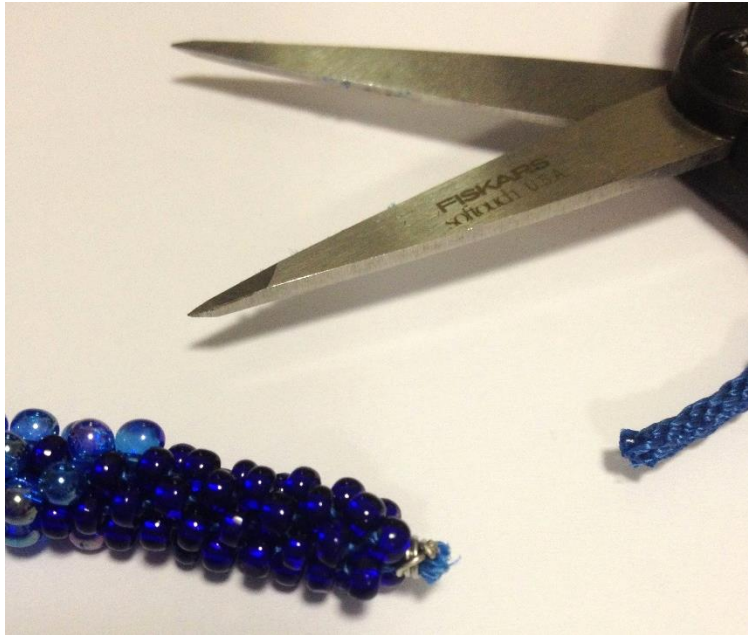


Figure 6