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Fast, Easy, Fun
 Make beautiful wire woven jewelry in half the time of conventional methods

Includes: 12-loop Easy Start head insert, 1/2" rod, pin tool, color photo Steps by Steph™ instructions and finishing techniques.

Supplies needed: wire (#26 ga. wire is recommend for beginners), round nose plier, draw plate.

Not included, optional: #20 ga. wire and .055 (1.4mm) coiling tool to make end caps.

Recommend for wire #24 ga. to #28 ga.

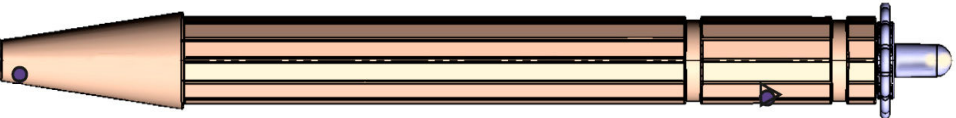
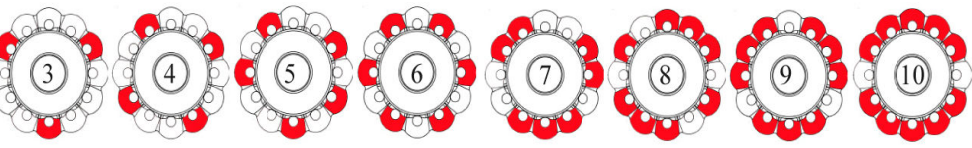
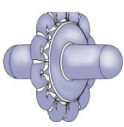
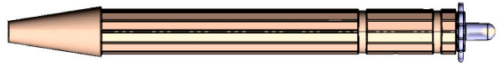
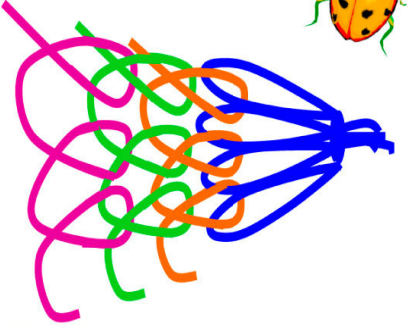
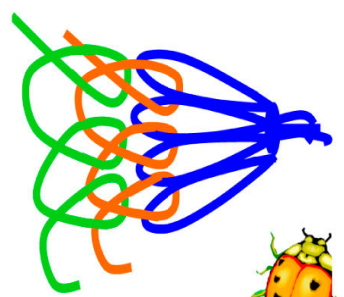
About wire: Most brands or types of wire can be used, from craft wire to fine silver and gold.

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Caution: choking hazard, small, sharp parts enclosed. Do not store or expose to heat in excess of 100 degrees for a prolonged period, warping may occur.



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LOOPING TECHNIQUE



Lazee Daizee™ 12-loop head
 Anchor Hole: starting point and adding wire
 Flat surfaces: make weaving easy
 Cone End: use to widen the weave and create end caps

Finishing techniques for a bracelet or necklace

1. Insert a #20 ga. wire throughout the entire length of the Viking Knit to give it more body
 OR 2. insert an 8-inch length of #20 ga. wire through each side about 1/4-inch from the ends. Add a bead cap at both ends followed by a decorative bead. Make a wire-wrapped loop at each end. Add a clasp



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Viking Knit Instructions



Read the instructions before proceeding

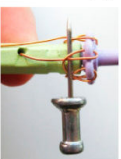
Instructions are right-handed—make counter clockwise loops. Left-handed—reverse instructions and make clockwise loops.

Insert the Lazee Daizee™ head into the top hole. Cut about 36" of 26 ga. wire. Holding the rod in your left hand, insert one end of the wire into the top of the diagonal anchor hole, extending about 1 inch (tail). F1 Press the wire down with your left middle finger to hold in place. F2. Steady the Daizee head with your forefinger.

Making the base loops, row 1: Insert the remaining wire down through one of the Lazee Daizee™ head loops above the anchor hole. F3 Gently pull the wire down then cross over the top of the previous wire to form an elongated loop. F4 Use the indent at the top of the rod as a guide to establish the length of the loop. Use your left thumb to help hold the first loop in place F5.

Bring the wire down through the next Lazee Daizee™ head loop on the top and pull the wire down, taking care not to distort the first loop. Keep the wire on top and cross to the right. F6 Make 12 loops around. Keep the stitches similar in size and as evenly spaced as possible. F7

Use the shape of the rod as a guide placing one loop on each flat side of the rod. The flat sides allow extra space to get under the wire. Use the pin tool to help with spacing and to lift the wire if necessary.



Weaving the loops, row 2: Bring the wire, right to left, behind the first loop (on row one) at the bottom where the wires cross. F8 Pull across then bring the wire back to the right to form a small loop. F9 Working to the right, repeat on each loop around. F10. **Cut the right side of the top loop (which is attached to the anchor hole). This will release the anchor wire/tail.** F11

Row 3: Continue another round of loops. Develop an even, consistent pattern. Following each loop it is also helpful to bring the wire straight down the ridge surface and hold in place with your thumb before forming the next loop. This will help keep the wire from traveling and keep the rows straight. F12

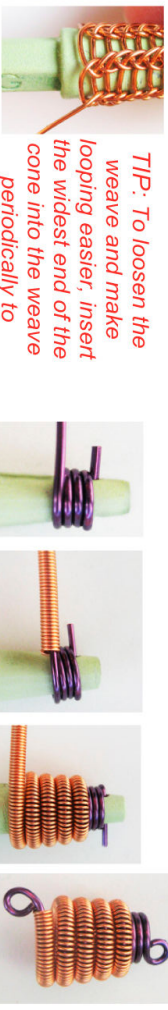
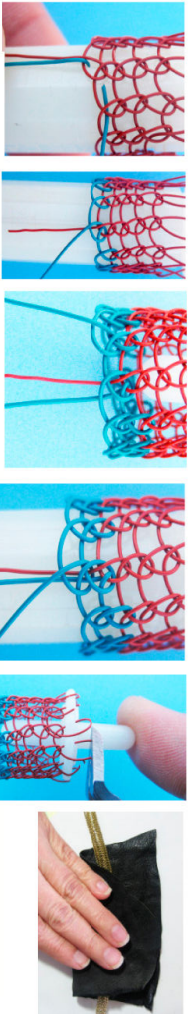
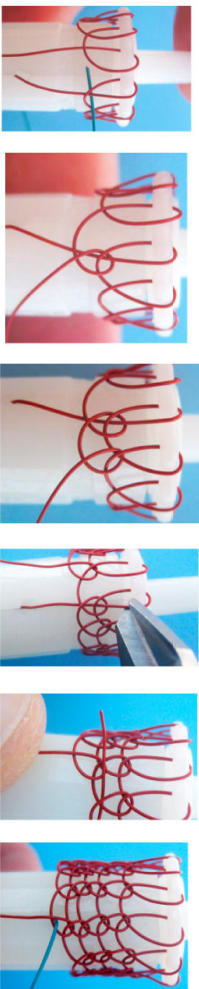
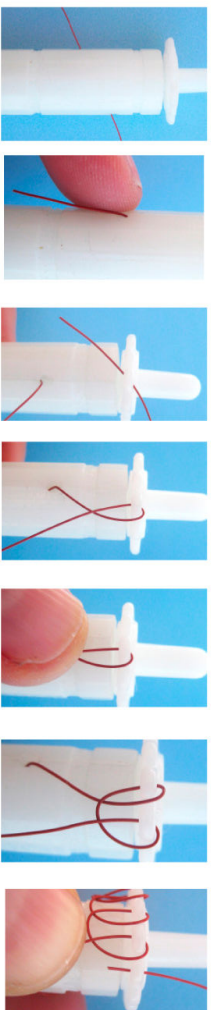
Note: The first rows of Viking Knit can be cut away later—don't worry if they aren't perfect. As you to work, check to make sure you still have 12 loops on the rod. Periodically push the knit up the top of the rod, otherwise it may be hard to remove later. If it becomes stuck twist the knit tube around the rod to loosen.

Adding wire: move the last loop formed so that it is over the top of the diagonal anchor hole (entry point). If the last row does not meet the anchor hole, remove the Lazee Daizee head as in F18 Replace the knit on the rod. Insert a 30"-36" length of wire through the wire loop and into the anchor hole extending about 1 inch (tail). F13 Press the anchor wire down with your middle finger to hold in place at the entry point. Bring the free end of the wire over to the next loop and continue around until you reach the anchor hole loop. F14 Bring the wire under the loop and under the tail at the same time. F15 Continue around to the anchor hole loop.

Remove the knit from the rod. The anchor tail will drop down to the same position as the previous wire tail. F16 Place the knit back on the rod and continue the Viking Knit stitch around. When you reach the anchor hole loop go behind the two wires that form the loop but also go under both tails catching them in the loop. F17 Repeat this for 3 rows. Remove the knit from the rod, trim the tails leaving about 1/4" inside the tube. Continue. The final length of the Viking Knit depends on how many loops you start with, the gauge of wire and how far down you draw the Viking Knit.

Preparing to draw: Clip the top loops to remove the Lazee Daizee™ head and remove any loose wires. F18

Roll the knit several times between a soft fabric or conditioning fabric (optional). This helps align the stitching and makes drawing easier. F19



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Cut 3 pieces of scrap wire about 8 inches each. Insert the wires, in through loops on rows 2 or 3. F20 Fold wires together and twist to form a handle to pull the knit through the draw plate. F21

TIP: To loosen the weave and make looping easier, insert the widest end of the cone into the weave periodically to stretch the wires.

Draw plate: pull the knit several times through the hole closest to the size of the Viking Knit. F22 Continue to reduce the size of the knit gradually by pulling several times through each remaining hole until the desired length and width is achieved. You can cut the Viking Knit to any length—it won't unravel. Trim any sharp ends that protrude.

Making coiled wire end caps

With #26 ga. wire and a wire coiling tool (1.4 mm rod recommended), make a 3-4 inch length of coil. Cut a 12" length of #20 ga. wire and insert one end into the small hole at the cone end of the rod. Holding the rod with your right hand and the long wire in your left, turn the rod and wind the wire 3-4 times around. F22 Add the coil over the 20 ga. and continue to wind. F24-F25 Cut the wire 1/2 inch at the bottom and make a loop. F26 Cut the top wire to release the coil. F27 Finish by adding a loop at the top.