

Knitting with Wire

Basic Bracelet



Materials:

Craft wire 0.2mm available here [NEW 35gram REELS 0.2mm COLOURED COPPER CRAFT WIRE](#)

4mm knitting needles [preferably not metal, as this can strip off the wire colour coating]

Beads with holes greater than 0.2mm

Sewing needle

Small amount of waste yarn

Method

- Cast on 6 stitches with waste yarn, knit 2 rows.
- You will use two strands of wire. Thread the wire with beads before you start knitting with it. [suggest 30+ beads]
- Knit with the wire, garter stitch.
- Whenever you wish, bring up a bead to the needles and knit it into the stitch
- Knit about 8 inches in length [depending on the size of your hand]. You can manipulate the knitting to stretch out either in length or width.
- Finish by sewing the stitches to the beginning of the knitting, forming a bracelet. Remove waste yarn.
- You could sew in a clasp instead of joining if you wanted a tighter fitting bracelet.

More ideas to try

Wire i-cords can make 'chains' for pendants

Knit a shape - make a pendant

Combine wire and yarn - perhaps one strand of wire with 4 ply yarn

Links to more

[Knit with Wire Bracelet - free knitting pattern - Knitca](#) this is a very similar pattern, but has more beads and also a video tutorial

www.ericaco.uk Erica Thomson has used wire in machine knitting for many years, and has produced beautiful jewellery. Even if you do not machine knit you can be inspired by her quite complex designs, and she also sells wire and findings

This video <https://youtu.be/7nKWd3PFPYM> is a good introduction to machine knitting with wire.

[Jan Truman. Contemporary jewellery. Knitted wire with integral beads.](#)

[Sculptures and jewellery - index](#) Jan Truman produces amazing sculptures with knitted wire - truly inspiring

[Sarah Mosteller | Knitting with Wire - THE FIBER STUDIO](#) another inspiring knitter

[Knitted Wire Art, Wire Words for home decoration, interiors and gifts - Jenny Rew Designs](#) this knitter combines yarn and wire to make interesting items

<https://beadsjar.co.uk/wire-gauge-conversion-to-millimetres> is a beading store chart on wire sizes. The store itself sells various types of wire, and, of course, beads.

To access a digital copy of this please visit [Workshop Notes - Long Buckby Machine Knitters](#)

