# DIY: Weaving festival bracelets from beads

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Difficulty: Beginner

Working time: 2 Hours

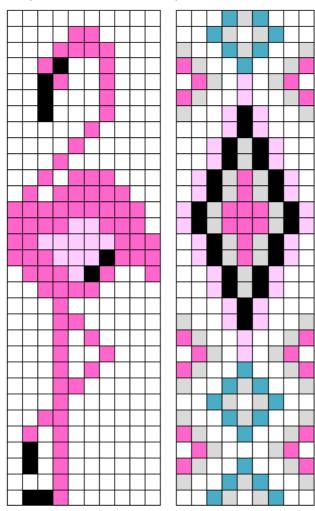
Summer is the perfect season to get creative and make great accessories for festivals or everyday use. How about creating your own unique bracelet? Here we show you how to craft a colorful summer bracelet using a bead loom. Look forward to a creative project that will bring joy to you and your loved ones!





## 1. Print, draw and prepare the template

I have created two templates for you that you are welcome to use. Of course, any other design is also possible. Let your imagination run free when choosing colors. In this guide, I have deviated from traditional patterns – try it yourself or continue patterns to your taste until the bracelet is the right length for your wrist. Embroidery guides from the craft section are also great sources of inspiration. Here are the templates.



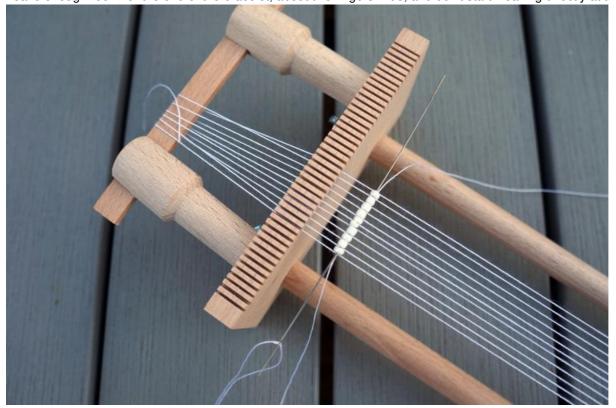
## 2. Stretch the thread on the loom

To stretch the loom, you need bead stringing thread of 0.5 mm. I have chosen white thread, but there are many options. Stretch the frame so that you always have one extra thread. Count the spaces needed for your bead pattern. For the flamingo, you need 10 row spaces and the pattern band 9.



#### 3. Set the first row with beads

The first row requires patience. Pick up the required number of beads on a thread with the right needle. Place the beads in the spaces of the stretched threads. Use your index finger to push the beads from below into the row spaces. Thread the needle through all beads – on the forward row below, on the reverse row above. This way, the beads stay on your loom. Leave enough room for the end of the bracelet, about two fingers wide, and don't start weaving directly at the wood.

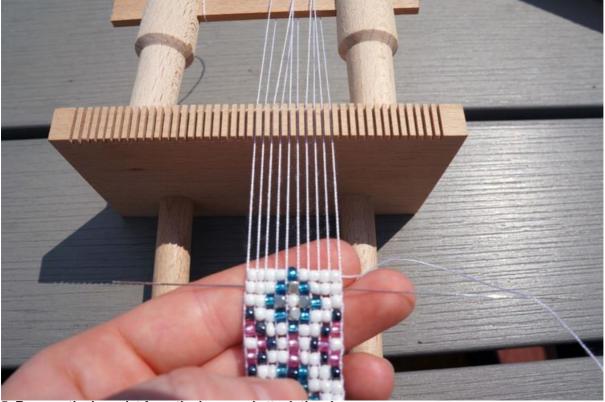




4. Weave, weave, weave

Now it's time to fill your template row by row with beads. However, you can also work without a template and be creative. If your thread is too short, start again as in the first row. Once the bead row is in place, tie off the ends and weave them through two bead rows to hide the knot and ensure stability.





5. Remove the bracelet from the loom and attach the clasp

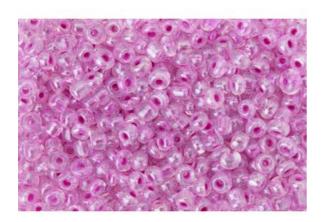
Are you happy with your bracelet and its length? Then you can cut it off the frame. Cut the threads at the outermost point and braid or embellish them with beads for a nice finish. Knot the clasp to the thread: divide the ends, make a double knot after threading the clasp. Use the beading needle for this step. If you chose the version with three beads at the end, you can pull the threads through a bead to hide the knot. Trim excess threads and enjoy your unique bracelet!





Your unique beaded bracelet is ready! Now it's time to explore your materials at the VBS Online Shop and start more creative projects. Have fun crafting!

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