

Beaded Fashion Ring

While necklaces and bracelets are among the most popular beaded jewelry projects, you aren't limited to adorning the wrist or neck. You can also make adorable fashion rings using beads and wire. This project should take less than an hour.

Things You'll Need

- Piece of string
- Tape measure
- Dowel
- Heavy-gauge wire
- Assorted beads and charms with large holes
- Chain nose and needle nose pliers

What to Do

1. Wrap the piece of string around your finger, and cut it so that it fits comfortably. Be sure you make it large enough to get it over your knuckle.
2. Measure the length of the string. This is the circumference of your finger. Divide this number by 3.14 to get the diameter, and purchase a small piece of dowel that matches this number. Alternatively, you can bring the string with you to the store when you buy the dowel. For reference, a two-inch finger circumference would need a 5/8-inch dowel.
3. Hold the dowel tightly, and wrap the wire around it several times. You can make it as wide as you like, but four times around makes a nice, sturdy ring.
4. Leaving a long tail on the end, cut the wire. Wrap the tail a few times around the ring to secure the other end of the wire.
5. Next, begin stringing beads and charms on the ring. Add several beads, and then bring the tail back to the ring shank and wrap it again.
6. Add more beads, and secure the tail again to the ring shank. You can finish the raw end of the tail by creating a spiral.