

The
Knitting
Shed



Wired Bunting
#TKSclubbox

Louise and I are always hunting out vintage treasures and we recently found some ledger sheets dating from the 1950s. The writing is Lilliputian with two lines of script to a row in places. We made it in to miniature bunting wired together with a few beads.

All you'll need is a pencil and wire cutters or an old pair of scissors. You could also use pliers to hold the beads when twisting them but I found it easier with my fingers as some of the glass beads crack under pressure.

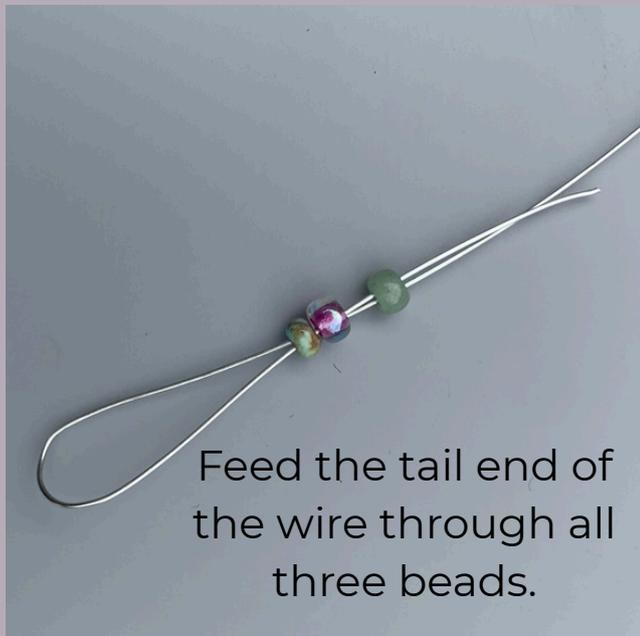




Bend one end of the wire around a pencil leaving a 5cm / 2in tail.



Thread with three beads



Feed the tail end of the wire through all three beads.



Bend the short end back on itself.

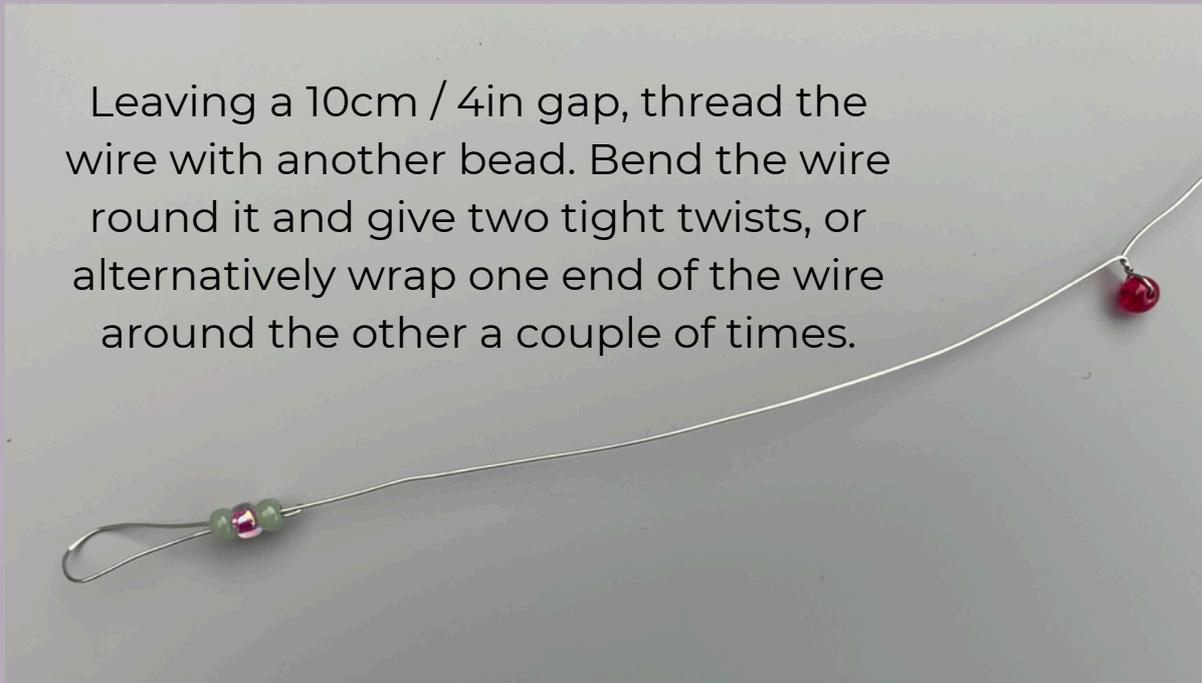


Feed the end through the top two beads



Snip off the tail end as close to the top bead as possible

Leaving a 10cm / 4in gap, thread the wire with another bead. Bend the wire round it and give two tight twists, or alternatively wrap one end of the wire around the other a couple of times.



Add another 18 beads leaving an 8cm / 3in gap between each one. Cut the tail end of the wire to approximately 18cm / 7in. Leaving a 10cm / 4in gap make another loop in the same way as the first.



Choosing the side you want to show fold the flags in half. Spread the wrong side with glue going right up to the fold. Press eighteen flags firmly to the wire between the beads.

