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# crimp beads

PRODUCT INSTRUCTIONS





The **Incraftables Crimp Beads and Covers Kit** is a complete solution for securing and finishing off your jewelry pieces. With 2100 assorted crimp beads, knot covers, crimp tubes, wire guardians, and more, this kit is perfect for making professional-quality jewelry. These components are designed to hide knots and secure wire, string, or thread in your bracelets, necklaces, earrings, and other jewelry projects.



## WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- **700 pcs Brass Tube Crimp Beads**  
(100 pieces of each color, 7 colors)
- **700 pcs Bead Tip Knot Covers**  
(100 pieces of each color, 7 colors)
- **350 pcs Crimp Bead Knot Covers**  
(50 pieces of each color, 7 colors)
- **350 pcs Wire Guardians**  
(50 pieces of each color, 7 colors)

## TOOLS NEEDED:

- Crimping pliers or flat-nose pliers
- Wire cutters or scissors
- Beading thread, wire, or elastic string  
(depending on your project)
- Optional: jump rings, lobster clasps,  
or earring hooks for finishing



## **STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS:**

### **1. Organizing Your Crimp Beads and Covers**

- Use the organizer tray or your workspace to sort the crimp beads, knot covers, crimp tubes, and wire guardians by color. This will make it easier to access them during your project.



### **2. Preparing Your Jewelry Design**

- Start by laying out your design. Thread your beads, charms, or other elements onto your jewelry wire, thread, or string.
- Make sure to leave a few inches of extra length at the end of the string for adding your crimp beads, knot covers, and clasps.





## STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS:

### 3. Adding a Crimp Tube

- To secure the ends of your jewelry:
  - Slide a **brass tube crimp bead** onto the string, just after your last bead or near the clasp.
  - Loop the wire or string back through the crimp bead to form a small loop, ensuring the beads or clasps are tightly positioned.
  - Use crimping pliers or flat-nose pliers to flatten the crimp bead. This secures the wire or string in place, creating a firm connection.





## STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS:

### 4. Hiding the Crimp Bead with a Crimp Cover

- After crimping the bead, slide a **crimp bead knot cover** over the flattened crimp tube. The crimp cover hides the flattened bead and gives a polished, professional look to the jewelry piece.
  - Use pliers to gently close the cover around the crimp bead, ensuring it stays in place but without squeezing it too hard.

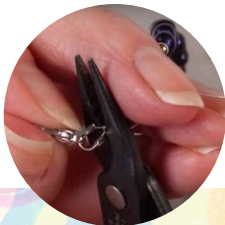




## STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS:

### 5. Using Wire Guardians

- Wire guardians help protect your wire or thread from wear and tear, especially at points where it loops through clasps or jump rings:
  - Slide the wire through one side of the **wire guardian**.
  - Loop it around the guardian's curve and pass it through the other side.
  - Position the wire guardian so that it sits between the crimp tube and the clasp.
  - Pull the wire tightly and secure the crimp bead as described in Step 3.





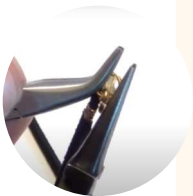
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### 6. Adding a Knot Cover

- If your design involves tying a knot at the end of your jewelry piece:
  - After securing the knot, slide a **bead tip knot cover** over it to hide the knot.
  - Use pliers to close the knot cover gently, making sure the knot is completely concealed and secure.
  - The knot cover also provides an attachment point for jump rings or clasps.

### 7. Securing Jump Rings or Clasps

- To finish your jewelry:
  - Attach a jump ring or lobster clasp to the end of the wire, using the loop created by the crimp bead or knot cover.
  - For necklaces or bracelets, make sure the other end has a clasp or ring for easy closure.







## USING CRIMP BEADS AND COVERS FOR DIFFERENT PROJECTS:

### Bracelets & Necklaces:

- Crimp beads and knot covers can secure both ends of the string or wire, keeping beads in place and ensuring a strong finish.
- Use wire guardians for extra durability at points where the string passes through a clasp or charm.



### Earrings:

- Crimp beads can be used to secure beads on thread or wire before attaching them to earring hooks.
- Crimp bead covers can hide any unsightly knots or connections at the base of the earring.





## USING CRIMP BEADS AND COVERS FOR DIFFERENT PROJECTS:

### Anklets:

- Use crimp beads and covers to finish anklets, securing clasps or charms for a durable and professional look.



### Keychains & Charms:

- Crimp beads are perfect for keeping beads in place when designing decorative keychains. Knot covers will hide any knots, giving a neat finish.





## TIPS FOR BEST RESULTS:

- **Use proper pliers:** Crimping pliers are specifically designed to flatten crimp beads without damaging them. Flat-nose pliers can work but may not create as smooth of a finish.
- **Pull tightly:** When securing your jewelry with crimp beads or wire guardians, make sure the wire or thread is pulled tight to prevent gaps or loose sections.
- **Be gentle with covers:** Knot and crimp covers are delicate. When closing them around crimp beads or knots, use pliers lightly to avoid denting or deforming the cover.
- **Choose appropriate colors:** The kit comes with assorted colors. Try to match the crimp beads and covers to the color scheme of your project for a cohesive look.

## CARE INSTRUCTIONS:

- Avoid pulling or stretching the jewelry excessively, as this may damage the wire or string.
- Store your completed jewelry pieces in a dry place to prevent tarnishing or damage to the crimp beads and wire.