CLUB BEAD PLUS

MATERIALS:

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1 or +	**Organza ribbon**
…	**Connectors**
…	**Various beads***
1	**Scissors**
1	**Flat nose pliers**

Preparation :

1- Cut the first ribbon to the desired length. Make sure to have extra for the connectors and knots (for example: 54 cm + 20 cm for a necklace)
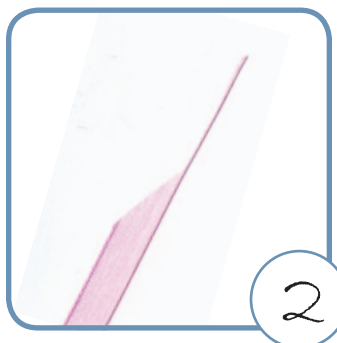
2- Using your scissors, cut a 1 in (about 2 or 3 cm) wedge at the end of the ribbon to form a pointed "needle". Make sure it is longer than the diameter of your beads.

Threading :
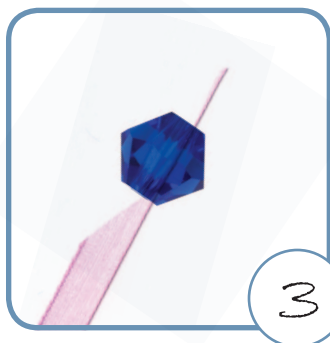
3- Insert the beads, taking care not to damage the ribbon.

4- Repeat the above steps to create the number of strands desired. When the desired number of strands have been completed, adjust the strands, making sure to leave enough for the connectors, then cut the excess ribbon.

*When choosing your beads, pay attention to the size of the holes. They must be large enough to pass the ribbon through, yet small enough that they stay in place. Wooden beads, or other natural products, tend to fray the ribbons. Plastic or acrylic beads are a better choice.

Completing your project:
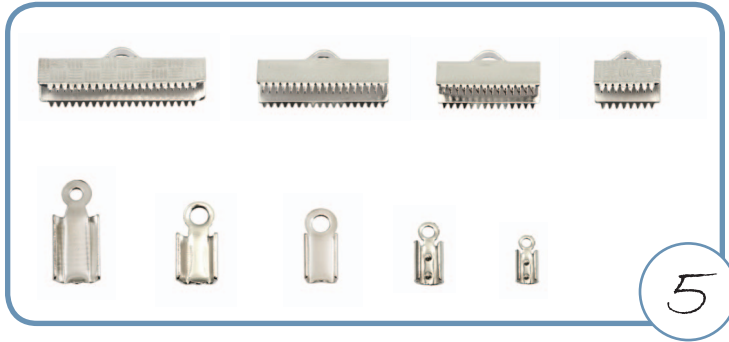
5- Choose the size and shape of your connectors according to the width and number of ribbons used. Install the connectors. You may use a "U" connector (photo *a*) for a thin, lightweight, ribbon, or a jawed connector (photo *b*) for larger ribbons.

a- "U" connector: Using flat nose pliers to form an angle towards the center of the connector will help to hold the ribbons. Insert the ribbons, and use the pliers to close the flaps. Be sure to press firmly, insuring that the ribbons are solidly attached.

b- Jawed connector: Place the ribbon(s) one on top of the other, and roll the end(s) together. Place into the connector and use the flat nose pliers to close the connector, starting at the ends, then the center section of the connector.

Let your imagination fly! You can also use organza ribbons to create magnificent gift wraps!

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