



FROM THE MAGAZINE TRASH PILE TO FASHIONABLE JEWELRY

OVERVIEW:

Looking at a pile of magazines in the corner of the living room? Before you throw out that stack of old magazines, start a new story with these fun and inexpensive DIY beads that make the perfect fashion statement.

Follow this tutorial and use the accompanying bead templates to create beautiful magazine beads of all shapes and sizes.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Bead Assembly Instructions
- 5 Bead Design Templates



MATERIALS:

- Old magazine
- Elmer's glue
- Cardboard box or styrofoam tray (to stick your toothpicks in)
- Scissors
- Paintbrush
- Spray polyurethane
- Round toothpicks
- Mod podge

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Using the printable templates, cut the magazine pages into strips. Repeat until you have enough strips to make the desired number of beads.
2. Start at the wide end of one strip, and begin winding the paper around the toothpick until you reach the end. Secure using a dot of Elmer's glue. Repeat until all of the beads are wrapped and glued.
3. Cover beads with two coats of Mod Podge, letting dry between coats. This will make sure that your beads stay rolled together in their shapes.
4. Support toothpicks in the top of a cardboard box or a styrofoam tray. In a well ventilated area, varnish beads with two coats of spray polyurethane, letting dry between coats. This will help your beads to withstand the elements. Allow to dry completely before use.



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