

# How To: Braided Charm Bracelet

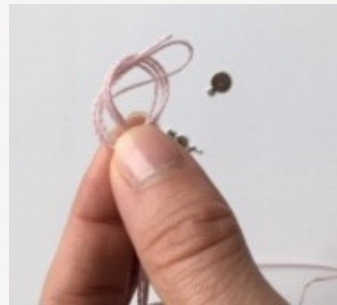
You will need:

- Wax coated String
- A Charm
- Tag (optional)
- Scissors
- Measuring Tape
- A Lighter



## Step 1:

Cut three 17-18 inch pieces of string & one 6 inch piece. Put the three 17-18 inch pieces together and tie a knot at the top of the strands.



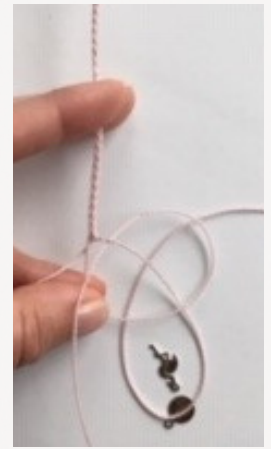
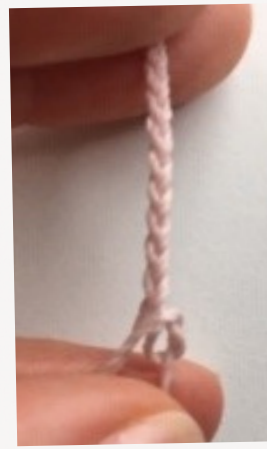
## Step 2:

Begin braiding the three strings.  
Continue braiding until you have a 2.75 inch braid.



## Step 3:

Now you want to tie a knot which will stop the sliding clasp on the finished bracelet. Take one strand and make a simple knot at the 2.75 inch portion of the braid. It may take two knots on top of each other to create the bump in the braid.



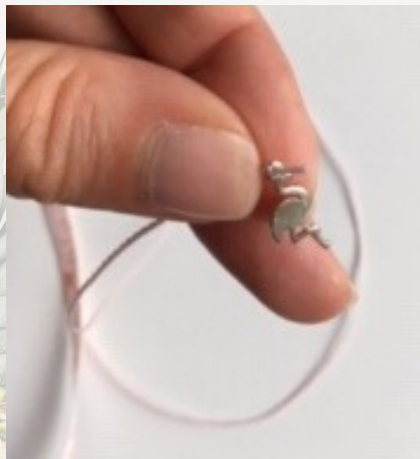
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Continue braiding for 2.5 inches from the knot you created.



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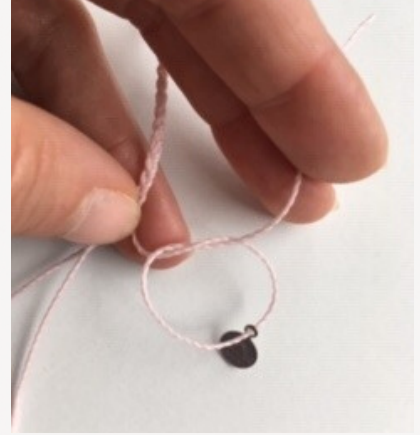
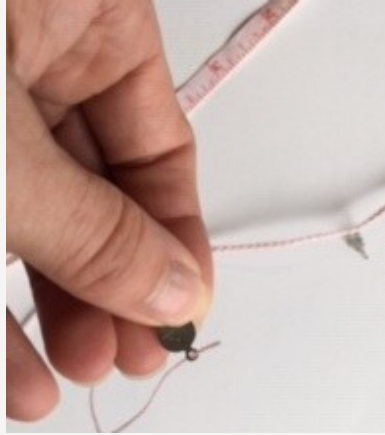
String the Charm onto one of the strings and then continue braiding for another 2.5 inches.





## Step 6:

If you would like to add the tag to the bracelet, string it on one of the three strings now. Push the tag down to the braid and knot the cord around the tag. If you do not want a tag just repeat the knot in Step 3.



## Step 7:

Keep braiding until you reach 2.75 inches from the tag. Once you reach that length, tie a knot with all three strings.

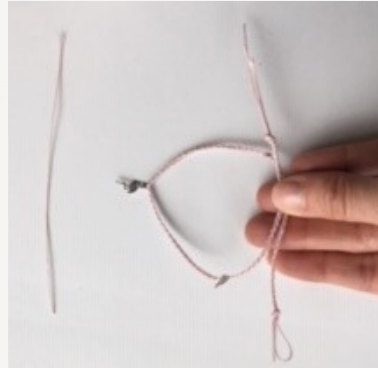




# Making the Clasp

## Step 1:

Fold one side of the bracelet over the other and place the 6 inch string through the bracelet under the two sides.



## Step 2:

You will use a square knot to make the clasp. Begin by pulling the left side of the knot over the two bracelet sides. Then pull the right side of the string straight down over the other side making sort of a figure 4. Take the right string (bottom of the 4) and pull it under the bracelet sides and up through the loop of the 4. Pull the knot tight.



## Step 3:

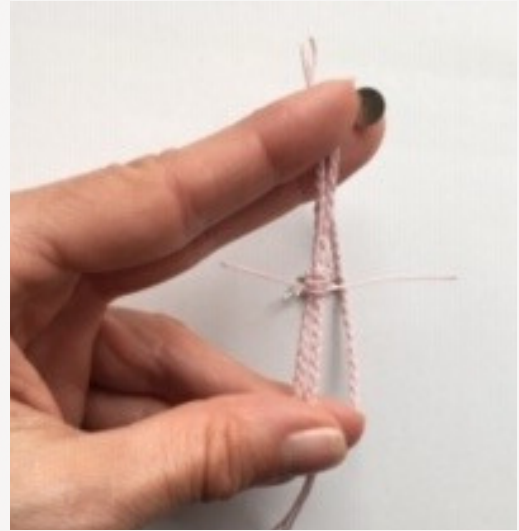
Repeat Step 2 but in reverse. Pull the right side over the bracelet sides making a loop. Pull the left side straight down over the right side. Pull the left side under the bracelet strings and through the loop made with the right side. Pull tight.





## Step 4:

Continue making this knot. At Nica Life we always do at least 5.

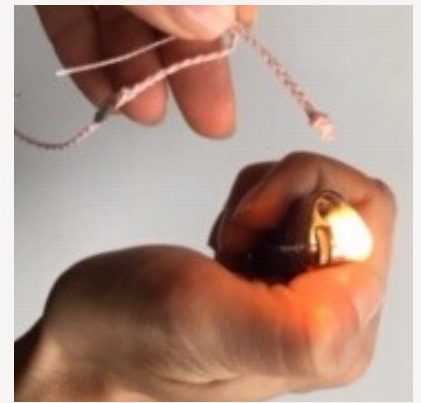
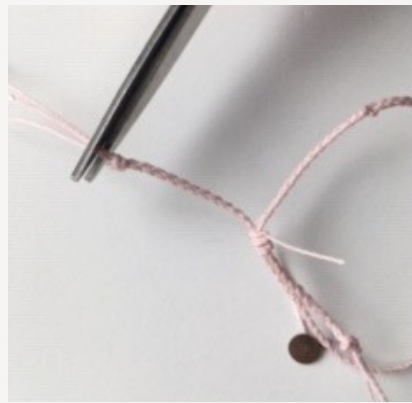


## Finishing the Bracelet

You are almost finished! All that's left is to cut and melt the ends. If you are doing this with children please supervise use of a lighter! For young children, we suggest you do this for them.

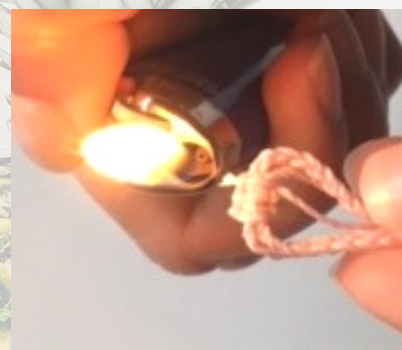
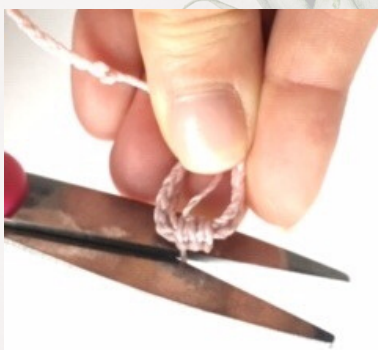
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First, cut the additional ends of the braided strand. Then use the lighter to melt the strands so it won't come apart. We like to use the part of the flame nearest the lighter because it's easiest to control.



### Step 2:

Repeat this process to finish the clasp. Cut the extra string from the clasp leaving a small amount to melt into the clasp.



# Great Job!

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