

Techniques

Multistrand Necklaces

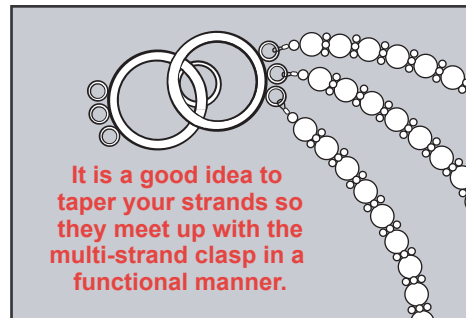
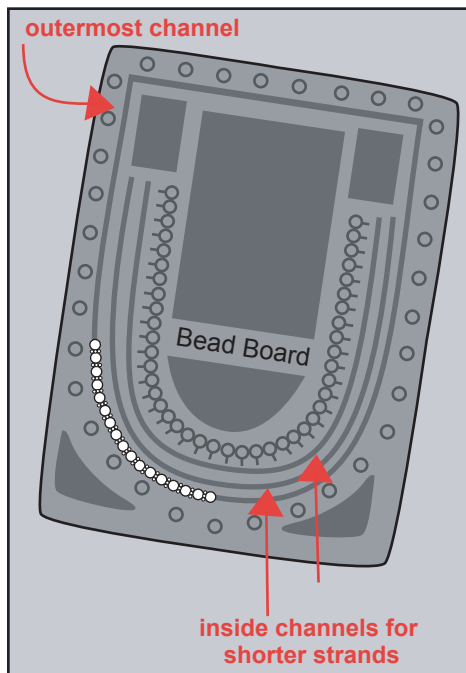
Professional Tip: Planning ahead will save time, avoid frustration and enhance your projects.

Bead Boards

This tool is one of the best ways to plan out a beaded project. The grooves are marked at one inch intervals, starting with 0 in the center. Bead boards allow you to play with color and bead arrangements before beginning the actual project.

Bead boards with multiple grooves help when arranging necklaces with multiple strands. The boards are set up so that the inner grooves are decreased logically. When you want to have a graduated look (inner strands are shorter than outer ones), usually increasing each successive outer strand by one inch will do. Longer necklaces may require extra length to be added to each strand. Try increasing by 2-2 1/2".

Ending your project also requires forethought. You can either finish with a multiple strand clasp or choose to end with cones to gather the strands together.



What you will need:

