

basket bead tip technique

Basket bead tips are the traditional choice when knotting pearls.

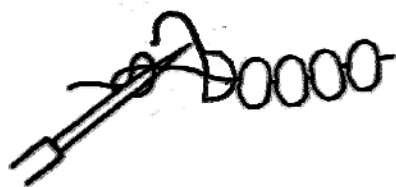
1. String on a bead tip and tie an overhand knot. Make sure that the knot is large enough that it won't slip through the bead tip. Dab super glue on the knot.



2. Slide a clasp onto the hook of the bead tip. Use round nose pliers to roll the hook until it rests just inside the cup of the bead tip. It should look like the handle of a basket.



3. String all of your beads, then string on the other bead tip. Tie an overhand knot, but leave the loop large.



Slide an awl into the loop so you can move the knot to exactly where you want it: inside the bead tip.

Dab super glue on the knot.

4. Close the bead tip around the other end of the clasp using the above method. You're done!

