

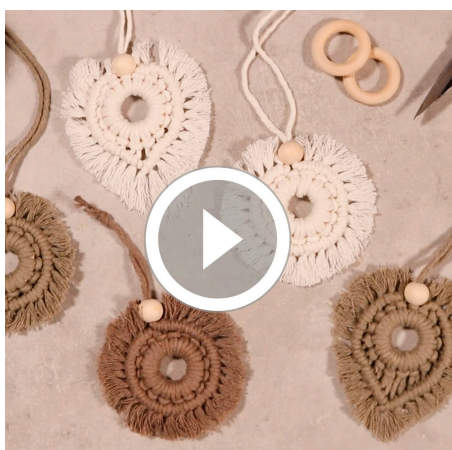


Macramé hanging decorations with beads

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These macramé hanging decorations are easy to make and can be used all year round. You will need a 350 cm piece of cord for the rosette and a 400 cm piece of cord for the heart. Braid the rosette and the heart almost identically. Comb the cord ends with a comb and trim to shape.

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1 Cut 14 pieces of cord, each measuring 20 cm and one 70 cm piece of cord for a circular hanging decoration. Secure all the small pieces of cord individually onto the wooden ring by feeding the ends through the loop (Lark's head knot). See the photo.



2 Secure the long doubled-over piece of cord for hanging onto the wooden ring following the same procedure as described above. Stagger the ends of this long doubled-over cord by 7 cm so that the end on the left is 7 cm longer than the one on the right.

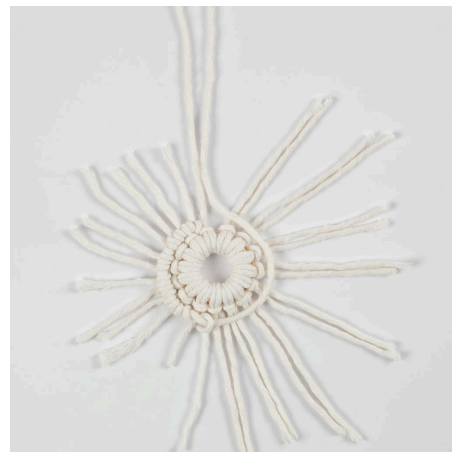




3 Arrange the cord on the left around the wooden ring. Keep it slightly taut and braid around this cord with all the other cords attached onto the wooden ring. Feed the cords up, around and down then tighten, by tying a rib knot.



4 A rib knot consists of two knots tied with each cord.



5 Continue all the way around.



6 Finish by tying rib knots with the right cord for hanging around the left cord for hanging.

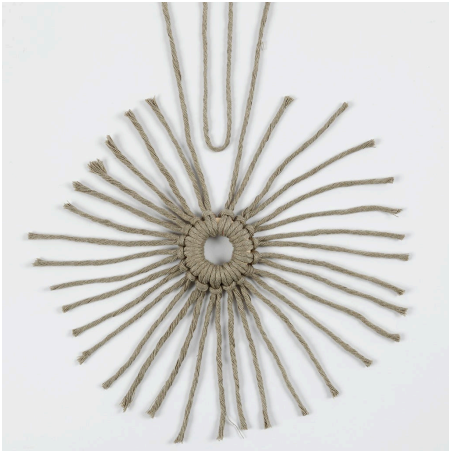


7 Unravel the cord ends with a comb on the front and the back. Spray with water and unravel the cord ends again. Leave flat to dry.



8 Trim the ends 1.5 cm from the circle or use a template.





9 Heart-shaped decoration for hanging: Cut 14 pieces of cord, each measuring 20 cm and three 40 cm pieces of cord. Secure all the small pieces of cord individually onto the wooden ring by feeding the ends through the loop (Lark's head knot). See the photo. Follow the instructions for circular hanging decoration with the 14 pieces of cord attached onto the wooden ring. Secure two of the 40 cm long pieces of cord side by side at the top; one end should measure 15 cm and the other end 25 cm. The long ends should face each other as shown in the photo. Secure the 3rd 40 cm piece of cord in the middle between the two with a Lark's head knot.



10 Arrange the 25 cm long cord ends down along each side. Starting on the left; braid around the long cord end with all the other cords attached onto the wooden ring with rib knots (tying two rib knot with each cord). Repeat on the right hand side with the other 25 cm long cord end. Finish as described in steps 7-8.



11 Another variant of a macramé hanging decoration with a wooden bead.