

## Friendship Bracelet

This is a long pricking so when you pin it to the pillow make sure you do this so that the bobbins won't be falling off the pillow when you get to the end.

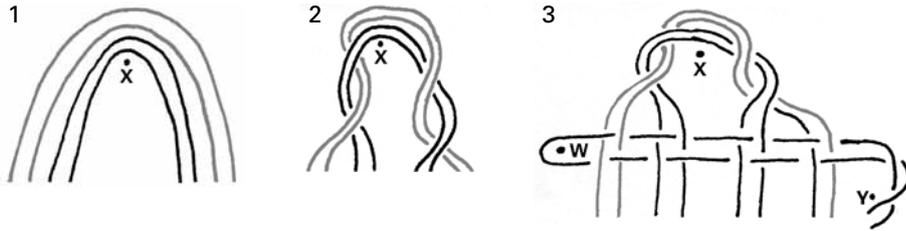
You will need 5 pairs of bobbins and DMC Coton Perlé 8 (or a thread of similar thickness) in two colours.

Cut two 140 cm lengths each of A and B for passive pairs and one 400 cm length of A for the worker pair. Wind these threads on pairs of bobbins so there is an equal amount on each bobbin.

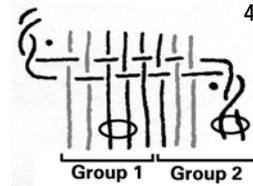
Hang the passive pairs rainbow-style on a pin at X with colour B on the outside (1).

Twist them round each other to get a tight loop at the top of the bracelet (2).

Hang the worker pair on a pin at W, cloth stitch through each passive pair in turn, at the end of the row twist the worker pair twice and put in pin Y (3).

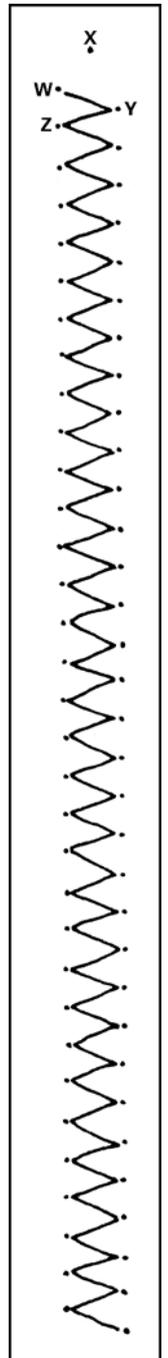
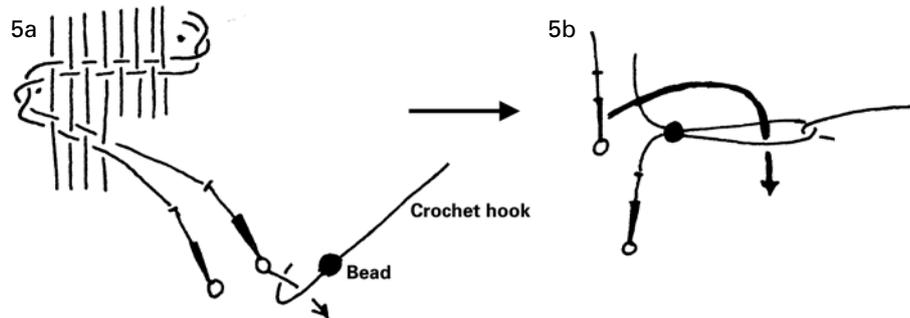


Continue working cloth stitch, twisting the worker pair twice at each pin to the end of the bracelet. At the end divide the bobbins into two groups (4). Treat one pair in each group as a single thread (tie the bobbins together) and work two plaits (twist, cross repeated) long enough to fasten the bracelet (one plait goes through the starting loop and is tied with the other). Cut off the bobbins, tie an overhand knot and take out the pins.



You could also try adding beads — for this you will need a crochet hook that fits through the hole in the bead. Put the crochet hook through the bead, catch one of the worker bobbin threads (5a), pull a loop of thread through the bead and put the other worker bobbin through this loop spangle first (5b), remove the crochet hook and pull on the worker bobbins until the bead is tight against the last passive pair the worker pair worked through.

In the diagram here the beads are added on the worker pair but they can also be added on passive pairs and this is what you will need to do if you are adding beads for the snake's eyes.



Size check:  
The frame  
around the  
pricking  
should be 2  
cm wide and  
18 cm long