

## Wire Ball Beads

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This tutorial shows you how to turn wire coils created on the Coiling Gizmo into ball shaped beads. For instructions on how to create the coil, please refer to the kit.

Materials and Tools required:

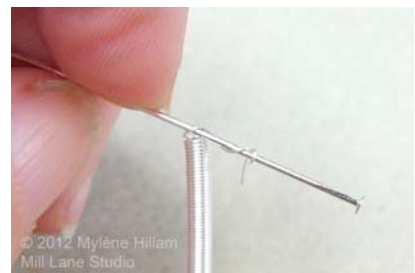
- Coiling Gizmo
- 28g non tarnish silver wire
- Head pin
- Flush cutters
- Round nose pliers
- Flat nose pliers



Follow the instructions in the Coiling Gizmo kit to make a coil using the 28g wire and the thinner of the two mandrels in the kit. Cut through the anchor wire with the flush cutters.



Remove the coil from the mandrel.



Wrap the tail of the coil around the headpin.



Continue wrapping the coil around the headpin stretching it as you go. Wrap it around 3 times.



Continue wrapping the wire back over itself.



This will help create a fuller bead with a rounded centre.



The bead should look something like this.



Now push the ends of the coil together squeezing the wire coils into each other. This will help make a firmer bead. You can also reshape the bead a little by pinching and rolling it between your fingers.



Use flat nose pliers to turn the headpin at a right angle. Trim the headpin to approximately 8-10mm.



Use the round nose pliers to turn a loop and the wire ball bead is ready to be incorporated into your project.