



Skill Level: Beginner

## Materials

- 3 rope pieces (8.5", 7.5", 6.5")
- 1 piece of felt (4x3")
- 3 colors of yarn (72" each)
- 1 piece of string (30")
- 2 wooden beads
- 1 needle

## Not Included

- Glue

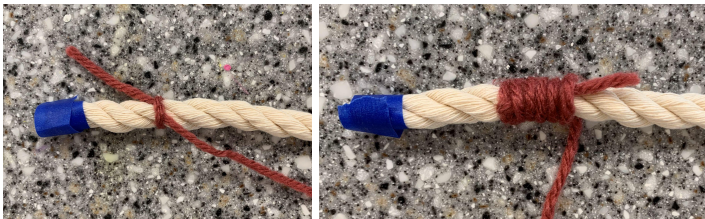
## Rainbow Macrame

### Notes:

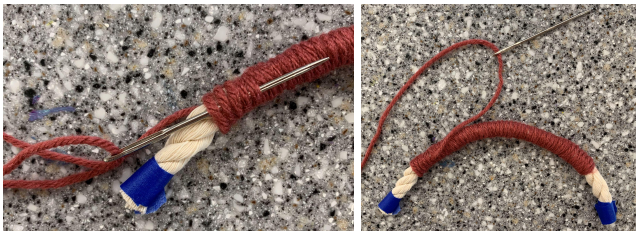
- Yarn colors and beads may differ from the picture.
- A hot glue gun is recommended for this project, but, if a glue gun is not available, any strong glue (such as tacky glue) will work. However, it will require significantly more dry time before moving to the next step.

### Instructions:

1. Do not remove the tape from the rope cords. Decide which colors you would like on the outer, middle, and inner sections of your rainbow.
2. Take the yarn color you would like on the inner section of your rainbow. Tie the end of the yarn 1.25" from the end of the shortest rope. When you begin to coil, be sure to hold the short end of your tied yarn against the rope and wrap around it to hide it (see photo below). As adjacently as possible and without pulling too tightly, wrap the yarn around the rope until you are 1.25" away from the opposite end. (Wrapping too tightly may cause the rope to warp – and you might run out of yarn!)



3. When you are 1.25" away from the end of the rope, pull the yarn through the eye of the needle. Without tying the yarn, insert the needle under your last five coil loops and pull through firmly. Cut any excess yarn that you pulled through.



4. Repeat steps 2-4 with the next two rope pieces.
5. Take the string and make a cow hitch loop around the center of your longest rope. To tie a cow hitch loop, fold the string in half and wrap it once around the rope, then bring the two ends through the loop formed by the folded string and pull tautly.



6. On the felt, lay out your rainbow pattern the way that you would like it to look in your final product. Make sure your ropes are in the correct order from largest to smallest and that the edges of the yarn wrappings are lined up along the edge of the felt. The unwrapped portions of rope should be hanging off of the felt.



7. With a pen or pencil, trace the inner archway onto the felt. Remove your ropes and cut along the arch you traced.
8. We are now going to glue the rainbow pattern onto the felt. Begin by gluing the innermost rope onto the felt along your cut line. Apply glue to both the felt and the underside of your yarn-wrapped rope. Proceed with the next two ropes following the same process. With the outermost rope, be careful that the loose ends of the string you tied don't get caught in your glue area.
9. Allow the glue to dry. If using anything other than hot glue, this may take up to 24 hours. Test the hold of the glue after drying. If necessary, apply more glue and let dry again.
10. After the glue has dried, carefully cut the extra felt away along the top edge.
11. Thread the two ends of the string we tied earlier through both beads in whichever order you like. If you have difficulty threading the string by hand, you can use the same needle method that we used for the ends of yarn before.
12. With both ends of the string together, form a loop that ends just above your top bead and tie a knot to form your hanging loop. Cut off any excess string.
13. Remove the tape from the ends of the ropes. Unweave the ends and ruffle them out. If your ends are uneven, you can trim them with scissors to even them out.
14. You now have your rainbow macrame ready to hang! Enjoy :)