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Pacifier cord

Do you want to give a friend who has given birth an original gift? Or maybe you want to make one for yourself? Why not make a pacifier cord? They always come in handy and handmade they are just a lot nicer than store bought ones. I made one a while ago, and made some improvements while writing this post. Read this tutorial to find out what you'll need and how you'll make one.



You will need:

- 1. A nice color felt sheet
- 2. Waxed cotton string
- 3. A pacifier clip
- 4. About six wooden beads (approximately 1,5 cm/0,5 inch)
- 5. Some ribbon
- 6. A snap fastener set
- 7. The paper star template (approximately 7 cm)
- 8. Toy stuffing
- 9. Needle and thread
- 10. Some sewing pins
- Step 1: Cut 2 long pieces of waxed cotton string (about 90 cm if you're going to add the ribbon. Cut two longer pieces if you're only going to add more beads instead). Fold them in half (see pictures below).
- Pull the loop a little bit through the front pacifier clip. Take the ends and put them through the loop. The pacifier clip should be in between the string. Braid a few times using macramé (see pictures below).
- String one bead. Braid a few times using macramé again. Now the base of your pacifier cord is ready (see pictures below).
- Cut out the paper stars and trace them on the felt sheet. Cut them out. Lay the string cord right down the middle and sew the two stars together. Put some toy stuffing in between before you sew them up completely.
- Step 5: Use macramé at the bottom of the star again, so it stays in place.
- Step 6: Continue stringing about five beads to the cord, braiding in between each bead.
- Step 7: Option 1: Tie the rest of the string off in a loop and tuck the remaining string back in with the last bead. Cut it a little shorter if necessary. You could also burn the ends a little so they stick to the cord. See what works best with your cord.
 - Option 2: If you don't want to add ribbon, you could just continue



adding beads. Once it is long enough you can stop and tie it off in a loop. Make the loop big enough to pull the cord through once you attach it to the pacifier.

Step 8: If you chose option 1 it is now time for the ribbon. Cut a piece and pull it through the loop you just made. Place the ends together, pin it and sew. Next step is to sew one of the snap fasteners at the end of the ribbon. Fold it a little to decide where you want it to close and sew the other part of the snap fastener there.

Now your pacifier cord is done! Wrap it up, or keep it for yourself!

