

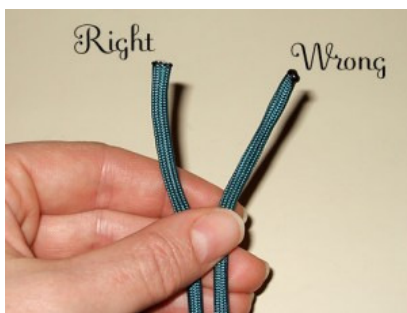
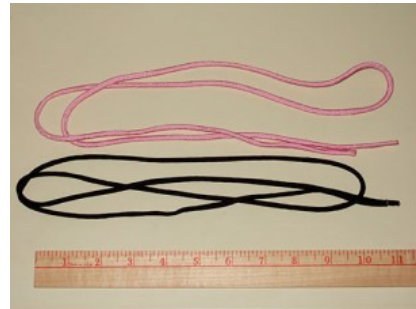
How to make paracord bracelets

- 550 parachute cord from
- 1 Side Release Buckle
- lighter
- ruler, yardstick, or tape measure
- needle and thread
- sharp scissors & Tape Measure



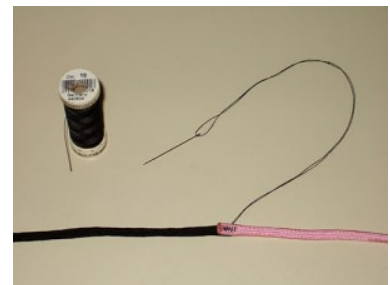
Making Your Bracelet

1. Assuming your wrist is approx 18cm, measure and cut two 120cm pieces of parachute cord, or 1 piece 240cm long.

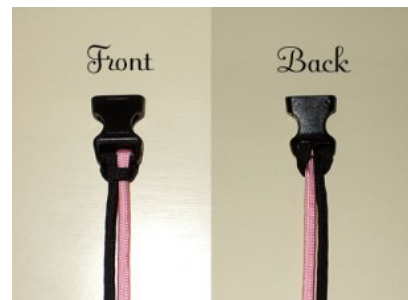


2. Burn the ends with a lighter to keep the cord from unravelling. Don't burn it so much that you get a big blob of plastic because it won't fit through the buckle. Just burn it enough to keep the inner strands in place.

3. Overlap the end of each colour about 1/4 inch and hand stitch several times to secure. Tie it off as you normally would by stitching through the loop of thread a couple times. Trim the thread.



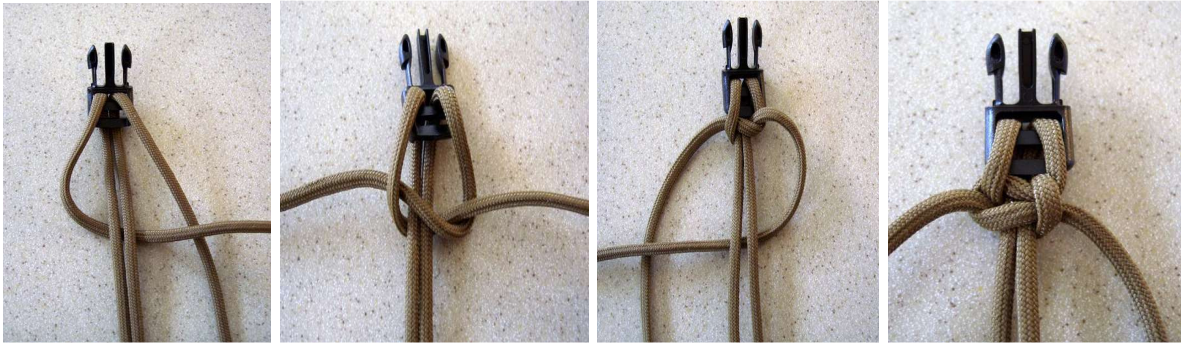
4. Hold the ends of the cord together and find the centre of the loop. Take the centre of the cord and pull it through one end of the buckle (either side of the buckle, it doesn't matter). Now pull the cord ends thru the loop until it's tightened up and attached to the buckle.



5. Take buckle apart and pull the free ends of the cord thru the other part of the buckle, sliding it up towards the attached part. You're going to measure the distance between the two buckle ends for the bracelet size for your wrist. Add about 1 inch to your measured wrist length, this will make the finished bracelet a comfortable fit. You're measuring from the end of the female part of the buckle to the flat part of the male end of the buckle(the part with the prongs, they don't count for the measurement because the fit inside the female part of the buckle when the bracelet is closed.).



6. Knotting - Follow the 4 steps for the length of the bracelet, alternating from left to right

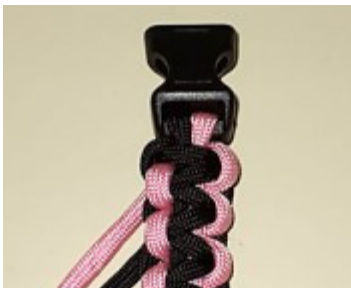


7. Finishing the bracelet.

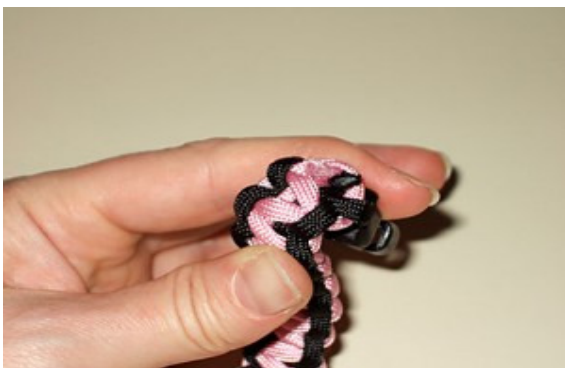
Start by loosening the very first loop you made, then tuck both through the top and out the back. Pull tight.



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8. Flip it over to the back. Loosen the next closest stitch, then tuck both ends under it. Pull tight.



9. Bend the bracelet back, and trim the ends close to the loop they're tucked under.

10. Burn the ends to keep them from ravelling. It's ok if you melt them to the loop next to them a little. They will be that much more secure.