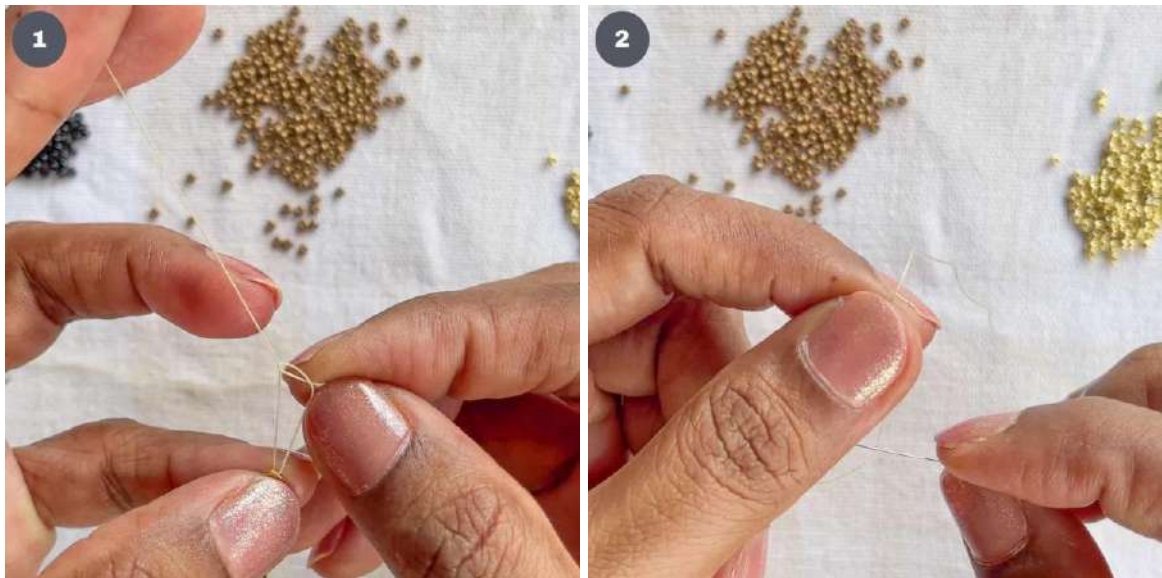


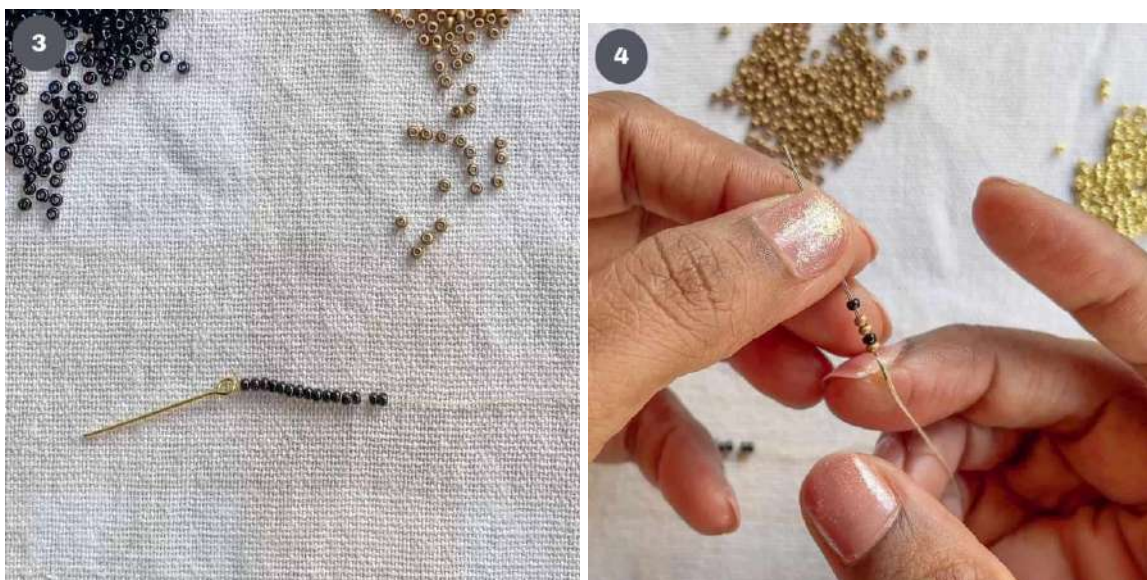
How to Make Beaded Tassel Earrings

Step 1: Make the bead tassels. Measure and cut 2 strands of thread measuring 70cm each. You will be using 2 strands for each earring.

Note: Cutting the thread into 2 will prevent it from tangling as you work on threading the beads. You can also cut the thread into 4 strands if that is easier to work with. For each strand, give an extra allowance of at least 20cm of thread for the needle and easy handling.



Tie the end of the first strand to an eye pin (**image 1**). Make 2 knots and test by pulling it to make sure it does not come off. Cut off the shorter excess thread. Insert the other end of the strand of thread into the beading needle (**image 2**).



Thread 15 black seed beads and push them to the end of the thread tied to the eye pin (**image 3**). Next, insert one bronze bead, followed by 1 black bead, 2 bronze beads and 1 black bead again (**image 4**).



Continue with 5 bronze beads (**image 5**). Next, add one gold bead, followed by 1 bronze bead, 2 gold beads and 1 bronze bead. Complete the strand with 5 gold beads (**image 6**).



Loop back to the start of the bead strand by inserting the needle into the second last gold bead on the strand (**image 7**) and threading it through all the beads in the strand all the way back to the first bead (**image 8**).

Note: It is important that you skip the last bead in the strand when looping back to the top. If you don't, the beads will all fall off.



Insert the needle into the eye pin from the bottom (**image 9**).

Loop the beading thread over the needle once (**image 10**) and pull the needle to make a simple knot on the eye pin. This knot will lock the beads in the strand. This completes the first strand.



Repeat the beading process for the next 3 or 4 strands, depending on the length of the thread available (**image 11**). Fasten with a knot at the end of each strand.

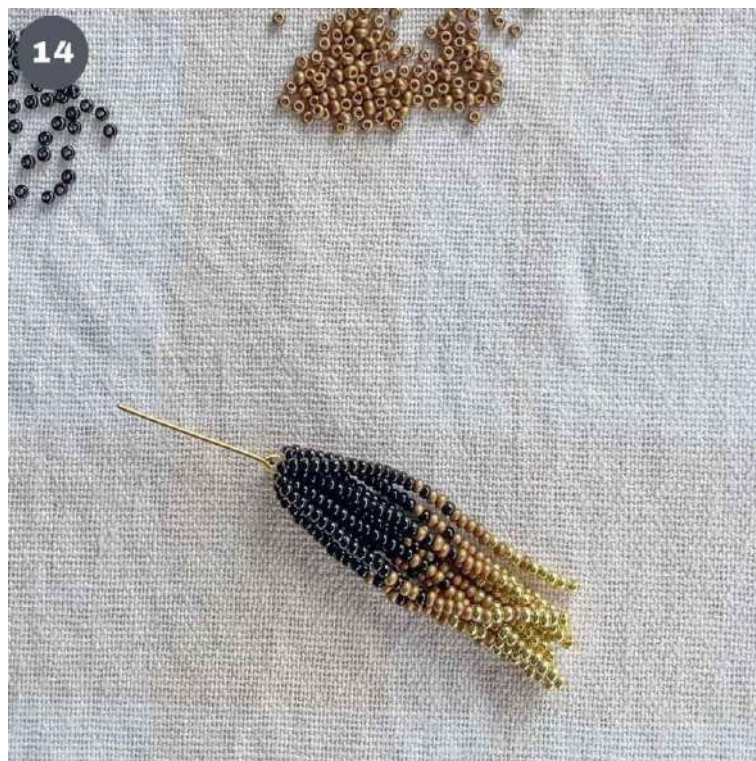
To replace the thread with a new strand for the remaining bead tassels, fasten the existing one well. To fasten the thread, insert the needle into the eye pin from the bottom. Hold it

half way in the pin and loop the thread around the needle and pull to make a knot (similar to the knots made after each strand in the steps earlier).

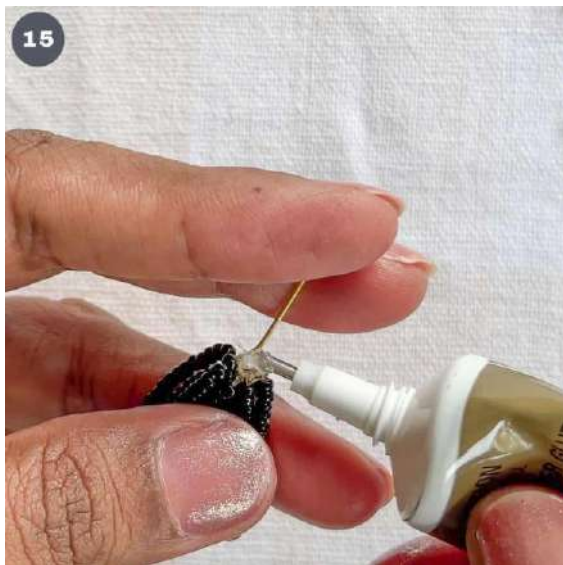


Repeat to make another 4 knots. Finally, thread through a few beads in the last strand (**image 12**) and cut off the excess thread (**image 13**).

To start with the next strand of thread, tie it to the eye pin with 2 knots in the same way as the first strand.

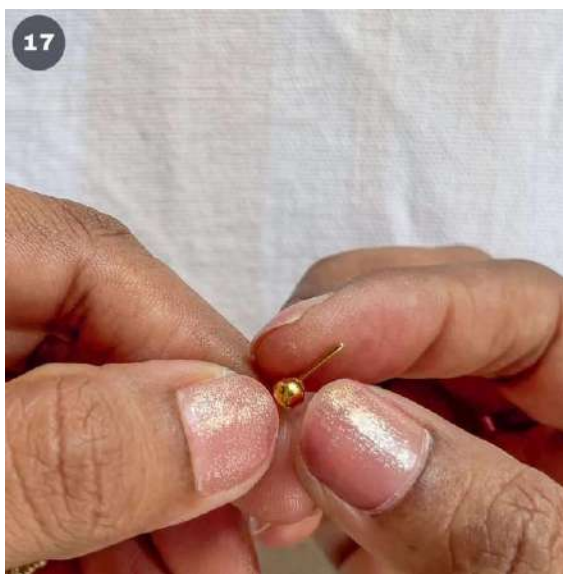


Thread the beads and make the remaining tassels (**image 14**) until you have 10 strands of beads for each earring. Fasten the thread and trim the excess thread off.



Step 2: Apply craft glue or hot glue. To prevent the strands from coming off the eye pin, apply a small dot of glue to block the gaps in the eye pin loops (**image 15**).

Step 3: Attach the bead cap. Insert the eye pin to the bead cap (**image 16**).

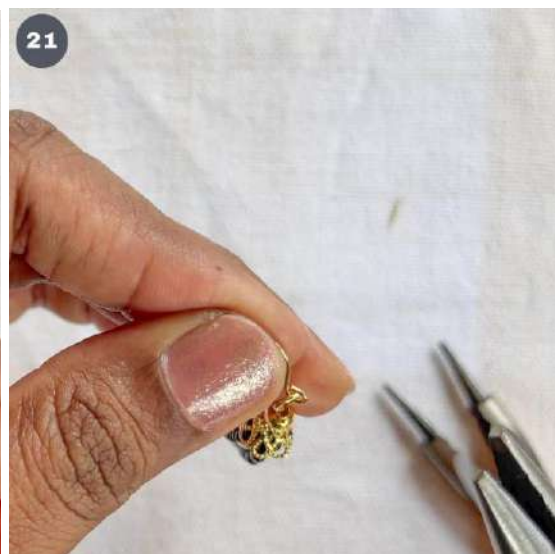


Step 4: Insert the gold bead (image 17).

Step 5: Hoop the eye pin. Pull the eye pin to hold the tassel closely in the bead cap and loop the eye pin (**image 18**). Try not to leave any gap to prevent the bottom of the eye pin from showing outside the bead cap.



Step 6: Attach the ear wire. To complete the earrings, use a flat nosed plier to open the loop of the ear wire (**image 19**).



Insert the tassel into the ear wire (**image 20**) and close the loop (**image 21**).

Note: When opening the loop, push it side ways instead of in opposite direction to not distort the shape of the loop.

Repeat the above steps to make the second earring.

