

# Team USA Kumihimo Bracelet

## Project B2411

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Choose your favorite colors to support your team with this Kumihimo bracelet design featuring color coordinated beads and cords.

## What You'll Need

Toho Round Seed Beads 8/0 25C 'Silver Lined Ruby' 8 Gram Tube

SKU: JSH-0204

Project uses 1 Tube



Toho Seed Beads, Round 8/0 #401 'Opaque Rainbow White', 8 Grams

SKU: JSH-0071

Project uses 1 Tube



Toho Seed Beads, Round 8/0 #28 'Silver Lined Cobalt', 8 Grams

SKU: JSH-0057

Project uses 2 Tubes



Super-Lon (S-Lon) Cord - Size 18 Twisted Nylon - Shanghai Red / 77 Yard Spool

SKU: XCR-4245

Project uses 1 Spool



Super-Lon (S-Lon) Cord - Size 18 Twisted Nylon - White / 77 Yard Spool

SKU: XCR-4248

Project uses 1 Spool



Super-Lon (S-Lon) Cord - Size 18 Twisted Nylon - Capri Blue / 77 Yard Spool

SKU: XCR-4238

Project uses 1 Spool



Magnetic Clasp, Smooth Barrel Shape fits 6mm Round Cord 18.5x10mm, 1 Set, 304 Stainless Steel

SKU: FCL-01129

Project uses 1 piece



E6000 Industrial Strength Glue Adhesive (0.18 fl oz)

SKU: XTL-1054

Project uses 1 piece



### Recommended Tools:

[XTL-5700] Fiskars 5 Precision Tip Scissors - Super Sharp, [XTL-6095] Beadsmith Lightweight Kumihimo Round Disc Disk For Japanese Braiding and Cording 35mm Hole, [XTL-6103] Beadsmith No Tangle Flexible Plastic Thread Bobbins For Kumihimo Or Macrame 1 7/8 Inch (8 Pack), [XTL-6063] Gator Weight For Kumihimo Braiding - 1.6 Ounces (1)



## Instructions

These instructions will give you a bracelet that measures about 6 inches. To lengthen the size of the bracelet simply add beads to each strand respectively. As you braid you can measure, noting that the clasp will add 1 inch. You will also need a toothpick or scrap of wire for this project.

1. Begin by watching our video: [How to Braid Beaded Kumihimo and Make a Bracelet](#).
2. Then cut six strands of blue cord, 4 feet each. Cut one strand of red cord, 4 feet. Cut one strand of white cord, 4 feet. Bring the ends together on one side and tie an overhand knot.
3. Place the cords in the disc as shown in the video and add your weight. You will place the red cord in between 7 and 8 slot and place the white cord in between 23 and 24. Blue cords placed in the other slots on either side of the dots.
4. You will then add 38 beads to each of the 8 strands and wind them around the bobbins, color coordinating them with the colors of the strands.
5. Begin the braid by braiding 1 inch of cord before adding the beads. Again, as you work measure the braid. Due to tension and tightness, a good idea is to measure as you feel you are getting close to your desired length. You may find you have to adjust the number of beads. Then continue braiding and finish with 1 inch of braiding without beads, same as you did at the beginning.
6. Carefully take the braid off of the disc, trim the bobbins off and tie an overhand knot.
7. To see how to finish with the magnetic clasp please watch our video: [How to Finish a Kumihimo Braid to Fit into a Larger Clasp or Cord End](#). Take a length of super-lon cord and tie an overhand knot over the braided portion of the end of the Kumihimo without the beads. Tie a second overhand knot to secure. Then take the tails and wrap around the braided portion to bulk up the tail end. When it is the right bulk to fit in the well of the clasp, tie another knot to secure and trim the ends with your scissors.
8. Trim the end of the braided portion so it fits inside the well of the cord end. Using a toothpick or scrap of wire, add a dab of E6000 to the well. Place the end of the braid into the cord end. Set aside. Move to the other end of the bracelet and repeat the above steps.
9. Allow to dry for at least 24 hours before wearing for maximum bond.