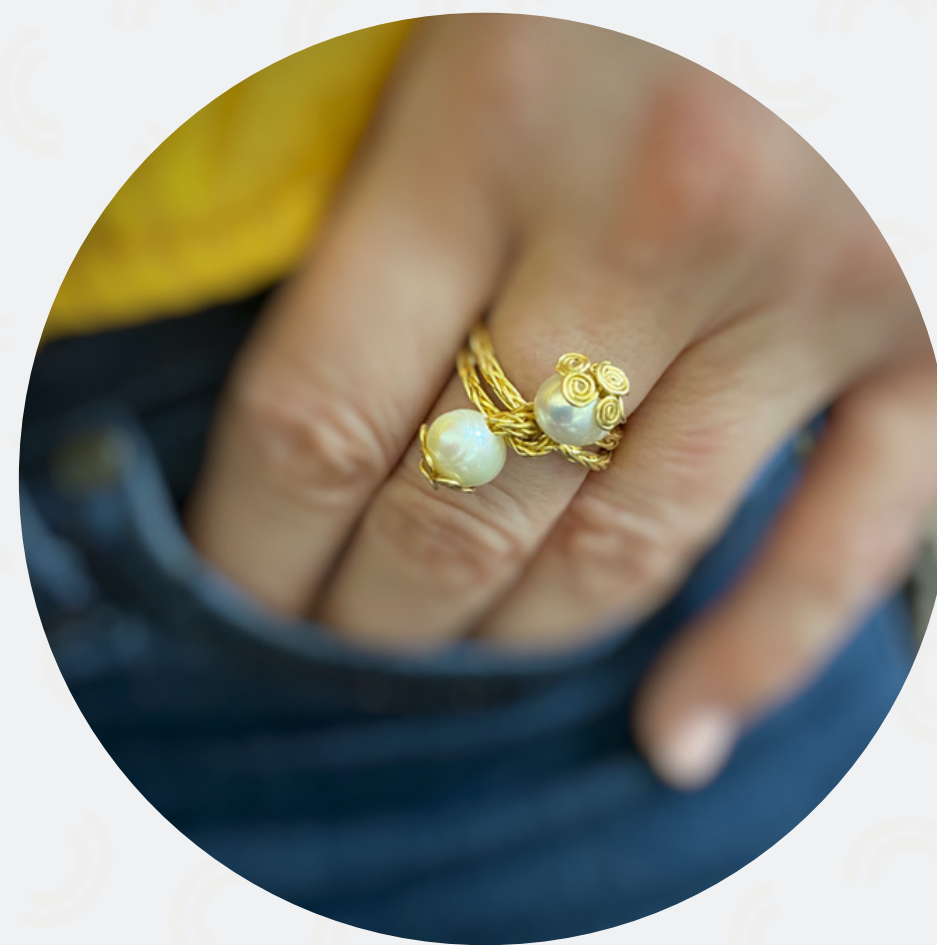


BRAIDED PEARLS

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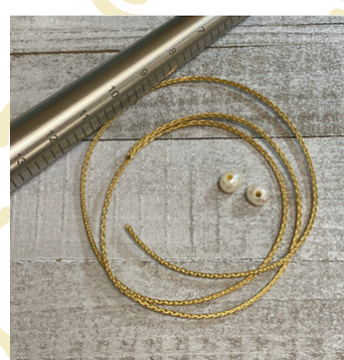
Need

- 1' 8 braid square wire
- 2 large hole pearls
- Ring mandrel
- Chain nose plier
- Flush cutter

Pro
Tip

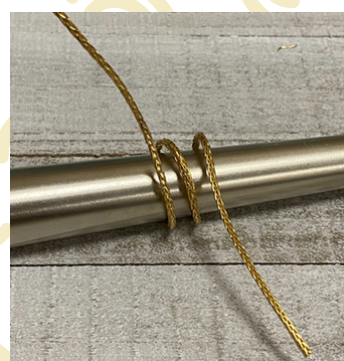
You can make larger or smaller coils depending on length of wire.

1



Cut 1' 8-braid square wire.

2



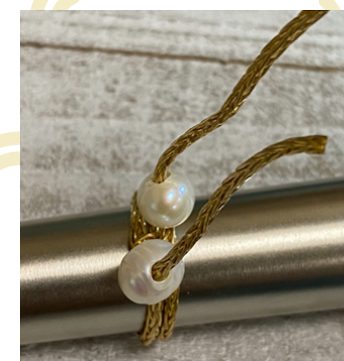
Wrap wire 2x around mandrel to the size of your choice.

3



Twist wire together 2x to secure while pulling down toward mandrel to create 'S' shape.

4



Keep wires long but trim flush so pearls slip over wire.

5



Press pearls down toward mandrel and bend wires sharply up to hold pearls in place.

6



Cut both braids of wire about 7/8" and begin unraveling wires on one side using chain nose pliers.

7



Continue unraveling until you get to top of pearl. Repeat on other wire.

8



Using chain nose pliers, coil each individual wire into a spiral.

9



Coil all the wires. Press spirals down against the pearl, circling the large hole. Place last one in center, covering hole. Repeat w/ pearl #2.

10



Now that all wires are spiraled and pearls are secured, press pearls into desired position so they can sit flush with ring band.

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