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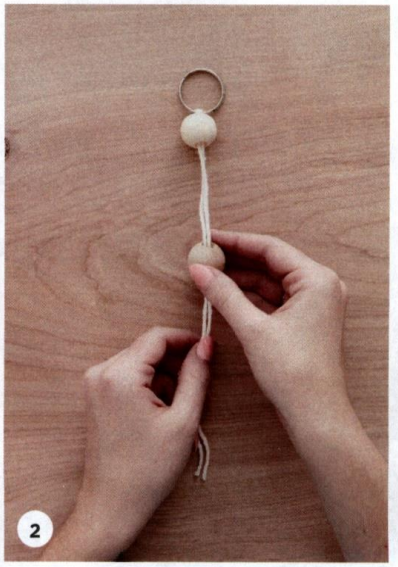
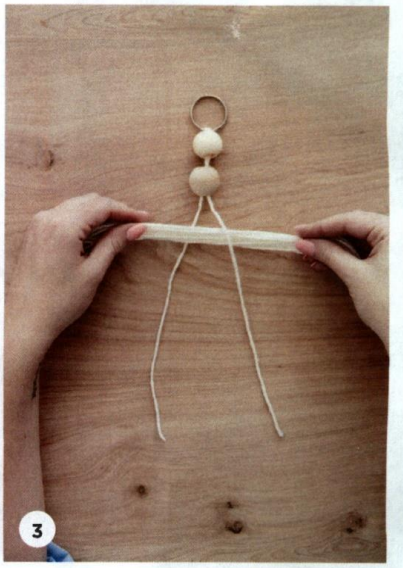
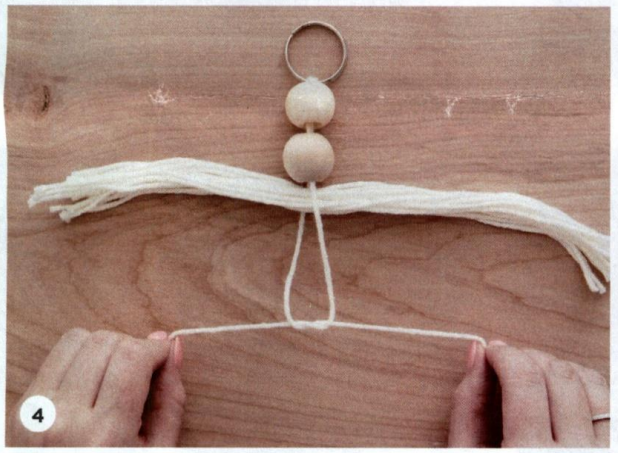
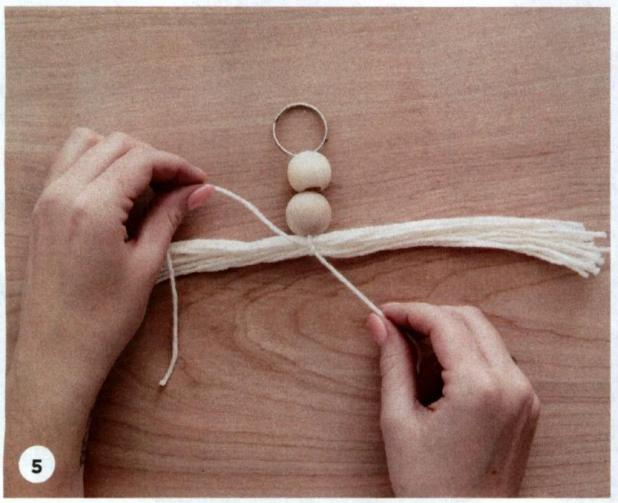
BASIC TASSEL KEYCHAIN

instructions for keychains #3 and #5







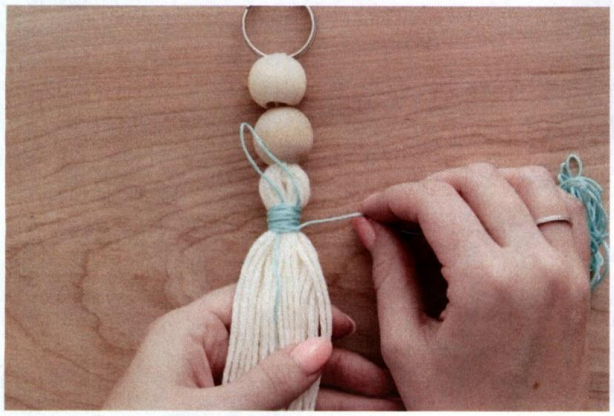


WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- White or off-white yarn
- Keyring
- Embroidery floss or yarn in colors of your choice
- 2-4 wooden beads
- Scissors

1. To start, attach a 20" length of yarn to the keyring using a simple lark's head knot (also known as a cow hitch).
2. Thread both ends of yarn through the wooden beads.
3. Cut about 20 pieces of yarn twice the length of your desired tassel. Holding them in an even bunch, center them between the two pieces of yarn attached to your key ring.
4. Tie the two pieces of yarn around the bunch of yarn in a simple knot.
5. Make sure the beads are snug and the tassel is divided into two fairly equal lengths. Pull the knot to secure, and tie another knot.

Keyrings #3 and #5 follow the same basic instructions—the only differences are the number of beads and the length of the tassels.

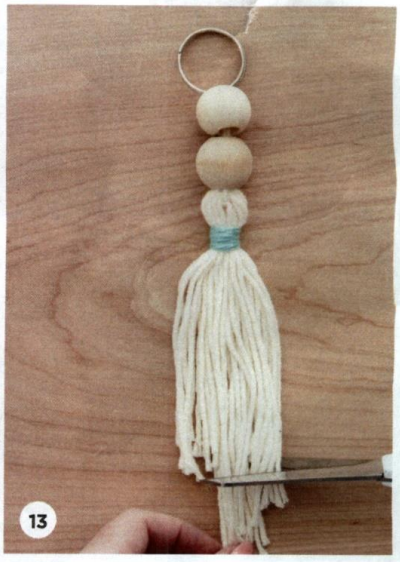


6. Fold the ends of the tassel down and smooth them together.

7. Use a skein of embroidery thread to make the neck of the tassel. With the full skein on the right, pull the loose end over, under, and around the tassel where you'd like the top of the neck to start. Fold it up and back down to make a loop.

8. Using the skein end, wrap the thread tightly around the tassel, moving down toward the ends as you go. Once the neck is as long as you'd like, wrap back up towards the loop.

9. Cut the thread and poke the end through the loop.
10. Pull the top and bottom ends in opposite directions.



11. Pull tight until the loop disappears into the neck.
12. Trim the ends of the embroidery thread.
13. Trim the ends of the tassel to even them up.