



Make an Aurora Bracelet

Different gases in Earth's atmosphere, including oxygen and nitrogen, cause the different colors of the northern lights. Make a bracelet to remind you of the aurora colors!



Materials Needed:

String (about 12 inches long), 2 red pony beads, 4 green pony beads, 2 purple pony beads, 1 "O" bead, 1 "N" bead, scissors.

Note: Pony beads can be found at most craft stores. If you don't have beads, you can make your own from paper. Follow the instructions here:

www.bigbeadlittlebead.com/guides_and_information/guide_to_making_paper_beads.php

Instructions:

Step 1: Cut a piece of string about 12 inches long. Find the center of your string. Tie a **red** bead slightly to one side of the middle.

Step 2: String your aurora beads in order:

- One more **red** bead
- An O bead for Oxygen
- Four **green** beads
- An N bead for Nitrogen
- One **purple** bead

Step 3: Tie on the last **purple** bead to secure the beads.

Step 4: Tie the ends of the string together and wear your bracelet!



Learn more about the colors of the northern lights:

culturalconnections.gi.alaska.edu/multimedia/gas.html