

## Red Hot Necklace by Pat

Chunky Ceramics and C-Lon thread give this necklace real impact

### To Make the Necklace

Cut ten one metre lengths of the C-Lon thread in any combination you prefer. Arrange the threads into pairs.

Tie a double knot in the end of one of these pairs and then thread through the hole in one of the small donuts so that the knot is inside the donut, suspending it on the end of the thread.

Repeat with four more small donuts so that you have five thread lengths each with a donut on the end.

Now take all of these threads through the hole in one side of the large donut - this will be quite a tight fit so you will need to take your time with this. Once you have all your threads through to the centre of the donut bring them all together and space the threads underneath the donut so that the small donuts sit at a variety of heights below the large donut. Once you have settled on your desired proportions draw the thread up just a little more - about 1cm - and tie an overhand knot through all of the threads that will sit in the centre of the large donut. Gently pull the cords back down through the donut so that the knot sits close to the lower edge of the centre.

All of the threads are now taken up through the top hole of the donut and then, once they emerge on the other side, split them into two groups of five and tie an overhand knot in each set of five strands close to the top of the large donut.

Now tackle one side of the necklace at a time. On the first set of strands tie an overhand knot after about 4cm, thread on one round ceramic bead, then tie another knot close to the other side of the bead. Leave another 4cm of thread exposed then tie another overhand knot. Take all 5 threads through the hole on one side of a small donut but at the other side of the donut take only 3 threads through the hole, and the other two outside the hole, bringing all the threads together again in an overhand knot on the far side of the donut.

Leave 5cm of thread exposed then tie an overhand knot. Thread on a rhomboid bead and tie another overhand knot at the far side of this bead.

Repeat with the other side of the necklace, matching your knotting and spacing as close to the first side as you can.

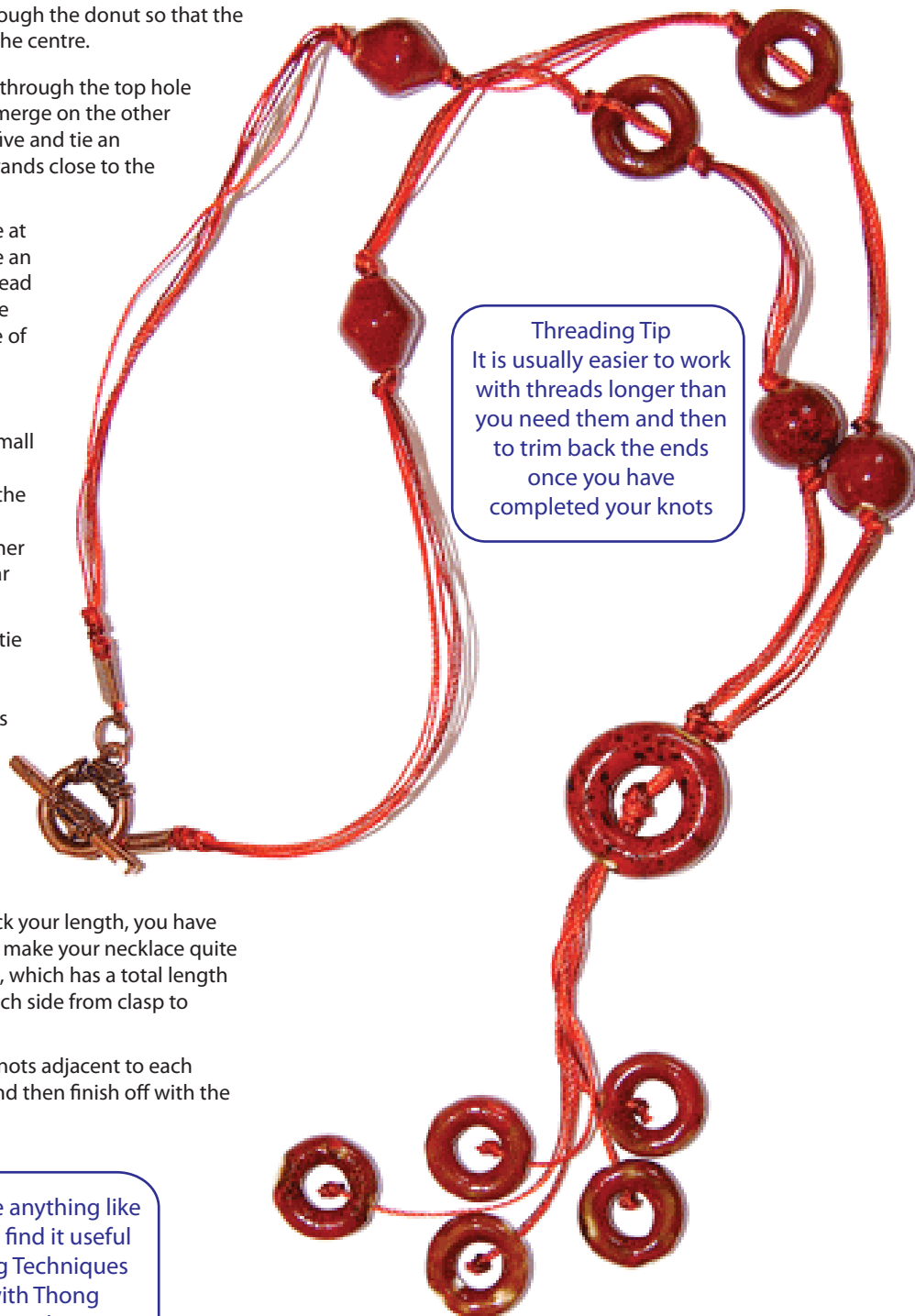
To complete the necklace, first check your length, you have plenty of thread left at this point to make your necklace quite long, or, as in the one in the picture, which has a total length of just under one metre in total (each side from clasp to centre front approx 45cm)

To finish tie a couple of overhand knots adjacent to each other on each end of the threads and then finish off with the large box lace ends and fastener."

If you have not made anything like this before you may find it useful to read the Knotting Techniques and Threading with Thong downloads from the Techniques page before you start

### Recipe

7 x CE151 Small red speckle donuts  
2 x CE106 Red speckle rounds  
2 x CE126 Red speckle rhomboids  
1 x CE141 Large red speckle donut  
1 pair FN150 Antique copper large box lace ends  
2 x FN065 6mm jumprings  
MB499 Toggle fastener  
C-Lon macrame thread in two or three shades  
Pat used Sienna, Shanghai Red and Orange



**Threading Tip**  
It is usually easier to work with threads longer than you need them and then to trim back the ends once you have completed your knots