

Paracord Bracelet (with Optional Compass)

You'll Need:

- 8–10 feet of paracord (depending on wrist size)
- Side release buckle or snap clasp
- Scissors
- Lighter (to melt ends)
- Ruler or measuring tape
- Optional: small compass charm

Steps:

1. **Measure the wrist:** Wrap a measuring tape around the wrist of the person you're gifting (or estimate 7–8 inches for average adult).
2. **Cut your paracord:** Measure about 1 foot of cord for every inch of bracelet (example: 8-inch wrist = 8 feet of paracord).
3. **Attach the buckle:** Fold the cord in half, thread through the buckle, and loop it to secure.
4. **Weave the bracelet:**
 - Use the **cobra weave** method:
 - Lay the left cord over the center strands, then the right cord over the left, under the center, and up through the loop on the left.
 - Pull tight. Repeat on alternating sides until you reach the end.
5. **Secure and trim:** Cut any extra paracord and carefully melt the ends with a lighter to keep them from fraying.
6. **Add the compass** (optional): Slide it onto the cord before weaving, or glue it on afterward as a stylish touch.