

How to Fix an Umbrella Rivet

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INTRODUCTION

This guide will show users how to fix the stretcher of an umbrella by using a thin piece of copper wire in place of where the rivet once was.

URL for half-hitch knot:

http://www.animatedknots.com/halfhitch/#...

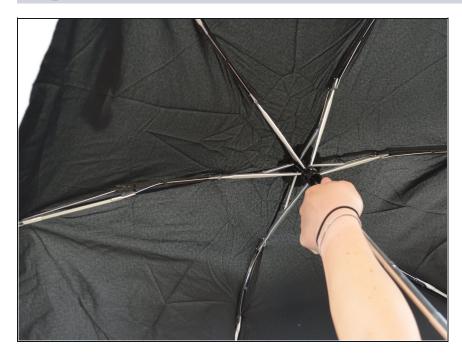


Scissors (1)
Slip Joint Pliers (1)

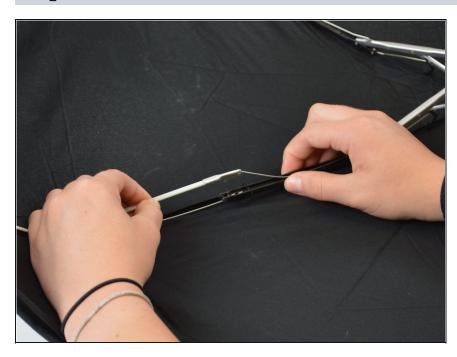
PARTS:

6" piece of 24 gauge (or smaller) wire (1)

Step 1 — How to Fix an Umbrella Rivet



 Open the umbrella into its proper position.

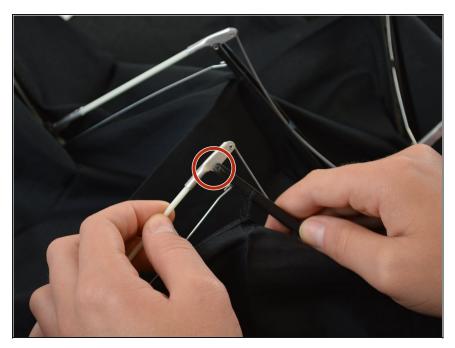


• Identify the broken stretcher that needs to be repaired.

Step 3

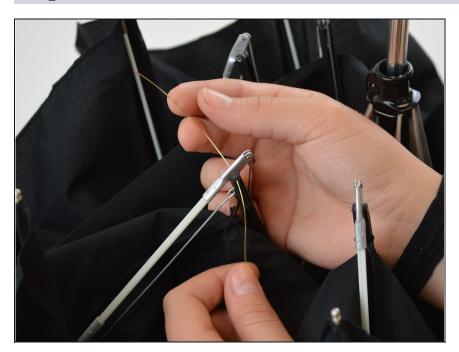


- Close the umbrella halfway to release the tension in the stretchers.
- *i* This makes it easier to line up the holes in the next step.

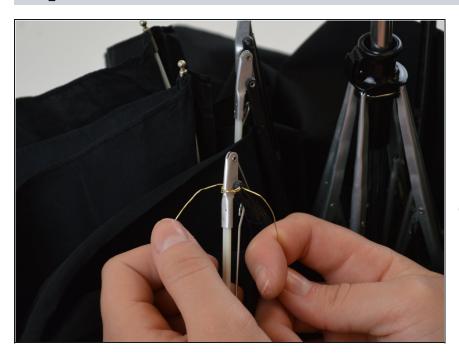


• Take the two pieces of the broken stretcher and line up the rivet holes.

Step 5

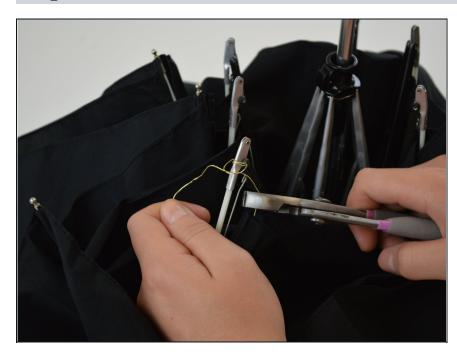


• Pass the 6" piece of wire through the rivet holes.

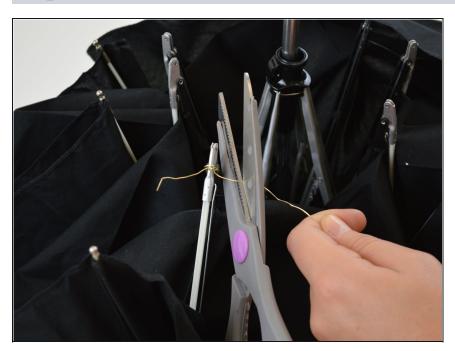


- Wrap the wire around the stretcher and thread it through the holes again.
- Repeat until there is no more room to pass the wire through.
- (i) May need to use the pliers to get a better grip on the wire so it can be pulled tight.

Step 7

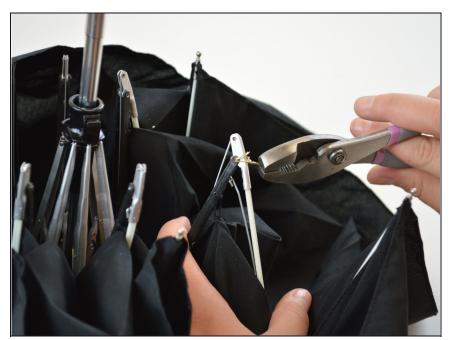


- Tie two half-hitch knots with the wire.
- (i) If you do not know how to tie a half-hitch knot, follow the link provided at the beginning of the guide.

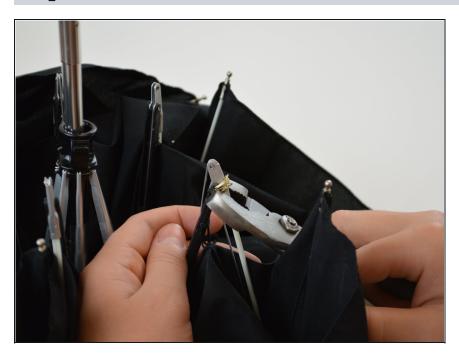


• Use the scissors to trim the two ends of the wire to about half an inch in length.

Step 9



• Using the pliers, twist the ends of the wire together.



 Tuck the wires down and clamp with the pliers so the ends are not poking out.