

## Thanks for choosing the MeRICKAL

This useful tool was dreamed up and developed by me alone. I have been a lampwork artist since 1994 and I make and sell beads for a living. Here are some ideas to help you make the most of your MeRICKAL:

Use a block of some sort, like marble or brick to lay your short pieces of glass. This provides the best angle for picking them up.

Pick up your glass by squeezing the jaws of the MeRICKAL wide open and place over the glass.

Release and the glass will be grasped firmly for use.

I recommend that you pick up the glass with the straight cut end towards your hand as the rounded end may slip out because of the tight grip.

Pick up the glass flat on your table. Trying to pick it up at an angle will cause it to roll or jump away.

You can pick up longer pieces of glass with the MeRICKAL. It should slide all the way back to the "X".

If you accidentally melt glass to the tool, remove it from the flame to cool or plunge it in water and then tap it. If glass is stuck inside the jaws, tile cutters used gently will usually work.

I make three sizes of MeRICKAL tools The Long, The Regular, and The Micro for stringer. I use the tools daily in my studio and I hope you will too.

The MeRICKAL is made in three standard sizes;

>Regular is 5 inches long and holds standard Italian rods 5-7mm

>Micro is 5 inches long and used for stringer

>Long is 7 inches long and holds standard Italian rods 5-7mm

(Long is ideal for hot flames, larger hands)

>Retail only/No Wholesale<

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(the Long MeRICKAL in use)



1 Squeeze open

2 Release

3 Make a bead