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**Take your beadweaving designs to the next level! Explore an inspired approach to weaving beaded jewelry with *Beadweaving Beyond the Basics*. Experiment with color and shape with these 24 gorgeous designs from beadweaving teacher and *Beadwork* contributor Kassie Shaw. In addition to showcasing classic stitches, including Herringbone, Peyote and St. Petersburg, these designs incorporate Kassie's innovative variations on Right Angle Weave--Double Diamond Right**

**Angle Weave, Faux Right Angle Weave and Layered Right Angle Weave. In-depth primers on these new approaches will get you started right away, and the tips for left-handed beaders makes sure everyone can try these designs with ease! Inside, you'll discover a full range of bead shapes such as seed beads, two-hole beads, bicone crystals, bugle beads and lentils, to get the shapes and effects you want, then try them in multiple colorways to create head-turning creations. With your new beadweaving skills, the possibilities are endless! Beadweaving Beyond the Basics is a whole new world of artistic expression! Takes a look at two families of braids, Peruvian, and Japanese**

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**braids, and shows more than 50 different braid designs incorporating over 250 patterns**

**Metalworking is generally regarded as a skill that takes years of dedication, requires a large studio space, and costs a lot of money. Fortunately, Simple Soldering proves that does not need to be the case. This handy how-to guide is complete in its exploration of the craft of creating soldered metal jewelry, including tools, techniques, and 20 beautiful projects that beginners and enthusiasts can make at home. Author and teacher Kate Richbourg demystifies basic soldering for any home crafter, showing how to create sophisticated, polished, and professional-looking**

**jewelry pieces through simple soldering techniques. First, she instructs how to set up a jewelry workspace that fits the confines of your budget and living space. Detailed step-by-step instructions walk you through the basic tools and materials you need, plus how to use them. A sample chapter gives a host of introductory exercises that teach solid skills, allowing you to test these techniques on a small scale. Finally, you'll discover 20 finished projects that include earrings, pendants, rings, bracelets, and clasps that may also include bead or wire embellishment. Kate also demonstrates how to combine and layer techniques to gorgeous effect. She also examines common**

**mistakes, shows how to correct or adapt them, and gives advice on when it's time to start over. Most of all, having taught thousands of classes on soldering, Kate has a "you can do it!" attitude that shines through to help even the most reluctant jewelry maker fire up the torch with ease. With Simple Soldering, the art of metal working one-of-a-kind jewelry is now at your fingertips.**

**Multi-hole shaped beads continue to explode in availability and popularity. Beaders are looking for new ways to use the popular multi-hole shaped beads in unique, wearable jewelry. Exquisite Stitching with Multi-Hole Beads by Renee Kovnesky offers 25 projects**

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**for beautiful and delicate necklaces, bracelets, earrings, and pendants.**

**The book opens with an introduction to materials, beads, and techniques that allows beaders with just a little bit of experience to get started quickly. Plenty of the author's own step-by-step illustrations lead stitchers through each pattern. The 25 projects are organized into 5 chapters by bead shape: rectangular, round, square, triangle, and miscellaneous other shapes. In addition to multi-hole shaped beads, the projects use bead stitchers' other favorite materials: seed beads, crystals, pearls, fire-polished beads, and more. The lacy, lovely projects are fast and easy — ideal for gifts or teaching in classes. Some projects**

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**incorporate on-trend components like chain and tassels. Many projects include variations, offering readers plenty of options for changing the look or style of the finished piece. Essential Techniques and 20 Jewelry Projects for the Japanese Art of Braiding**

**Mixed Metal Jewelry Workshop  
Creative Knotted Crafts for Your Stylish Home**

**Mastering Beadwork**

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**Knotted Jewelry with Beads**

**Kumihimo Wire Jewelry**

"Learn how to make over seventy macramê knots and small repeat patterns, then

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use them to create a wide range of projects. Each knot is shown in a close-up photograph with clear step-by-step diagrams showing how they are tied. Starting with the basics, the knots progress on to more complicated and complex designs, but as all are clearly diagramed it is very easy to follow along. This invaluable guidebook opens with a discussion of the different types of threads or cords available, shows a range of clasps and other findings, plus covers the types of beads to use. It also includes lots of tips and useful information like how to set up your work



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board, and other helpful lessons like how to keep track of the cord ends for less confusion. The thirty-three projects range from simple jewelry pieces like the classic friendship bracelet and watch straps to more complex ones like a variety of bags and baskets. Translated from the Japanese, Macramê pattern book is an outstanding resource for both new and more experienced

"knotters." "--

Multistrand pieces can be confusing and difficult pieces to create at times...in comes Multistrand Jewelry. From the pages of Bead Style magazine, this book answers

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questions from readers about multistrand pieces and its challenges. We provide 26 projects with in-depth instruction, clearly detailing the steps for successfully creating multistrand bracelets and necklaces, using a wide range of materials. In addition, each project features a "Secret of Success" from the designer or editor for multistrand techniques.

Learn How To Make Micro Macramé jewelry Learn how you can start making Micro Macramé jewelry quickly and easily! This illustrated guide teaches you step by step how to start making

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Micro Macramé Jewelry from beginning to end. This book has been written for the person with little-to-no knotting experience.

Beginning with the basics, you will learn how to create the necessary padded work surface, you'll learn each of the basic knots and then move on to 5 fun projects.

Learn How To Make Micro Macramé Jewelry, opens with a straightforward bracelet allowing you to familiarize yourself with the feel of the cord, giving you time to practice tension as you tie the most commonly used knot in micro-macramé. As you progress you will be introduced to a new knot or

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two, which then culminates in a final project which uses several knots. What you will find in this guide: Step-by-step instructions with full color photos that guide you through each pattern 5 beautiful, elegant projects that will help you learn how to micro-macramé Tips and tricks to make your experience with micro-macramé more enjoyable A guide showing you exactly how to create your own micro-macramé project board For beginners and anyone who loves jewelry and beading Micro Macramé is the skillful use of several knotting styles that create intricate details and blends

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in delicate beading which results in unique pieces that are nothing like the macramé of the past. With just a little practice and a few knots, you too can experience the freedom and joy of producing your own unique and versatile pieces. Once you understand the basics, you can continue on into a wide world of possibilities. Before you know it you'll have your friends and family begging you to make them one as well. By the end of this guide, you will have the confidence and understanding needed to create your own beautiful designs. About The Author: Kelsy Eason Kelsy

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has a unique style that focuses on the knotting and not as much the beading aspect of jewelry design. That's what drew her to micro-macrame. With more than 15 unique patterns on her website and now a book helping beginners get started in the craft, she's one of just a few designers that are helping to spread the word about this wonderful new jewelry technique.

Virginia Jensen offers more exciting ways to create with cube beads in her second book, Contemporary Cube Bead Designs. This book shows off versatile cube beads in a delightfully creative mix of

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necklaces, bracelets, and earrings. Virginia Jensen uses her artistic eye to develop subtle, fashion-forward color palettes, interesting patterns, and delightful shapes like stars and flowers. All 28 projects are fully illustrated - the best way to learn stitching techniques! Easy to find and fun to work with, cube beads offer a new range of possibilities for lovers of seed beads.

22 Jewelry Projects

101 Wire Earrings

24 Beading Designs Using  
Seed Beads, Crystals, Two-  
hole Beads and More

Stitch jewelry with textures  
& dimension

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24 Wearable Jewelry Projects  
in Multiple Stitches

30 Romantic Jewelry Projects  
Multistrand Jewelry

The Twenty-Four

Interlacements of Edo Yatsu  
Gumi

Beaded Kumihimo Jewelry is a collection of projects made using the most common kumihimo braid: kongoh gumi. The book includes 20+ all-new projects using this popular technique all in a friendly, easy-to-follow format made using an inexpensive kumihimo disk incorporating all your favorite beads. As you go through her third book, Rebecca will show you how to use many different



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types of beads in a variety of sizes to make kumihimo jewelry effectively. One beneficial

section of this book is

Rebecca's "trouble shooting" section, used to help explain some of the most problematic areas of a kumihimo braid making each project more manageable for beginners.

There is also a helpful Kumihimo Math section used to calculate the proper length and materials of the braid. Along with a few more detailed instructions for the foam disk, and a discussion about using the marudai. Beaded Kumihimo Jewelry is a great addition to your beading library

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not only for the beautiful designs, but the detailed discussions of both kumihimo math and trouble shooting.

Based on years of teaching experience, this informative handbook presents easy-to-understand instructions with sidebars to help students master beading techniques. Each of the 13 beading techniques are first explained in detail, then further explored with projects to enhance the beader's skills and confidence. The 63 projects included--ranging from bracelets, necklaces, rings, and earrings to findings, closures, beaded beads, and other beaded

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objects--teach a single project or technique arranged to build skill.

Appealing to beaders of every level, this classroom-in-a-book will supplement the information acquired in beading classes, expand confidence in beading techniques, and infuse work with inspiration.

From knitting expert Brandi Harper, a must-have pattern book for modern knitters, with essays on self-care and sourcing creativity There is no such thing as being kind-of a knitter—the wobbly scarves and that oversized sweater you tried to shrink all count too. Each contribution that you make to the

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world through knitting is meaningful, but maybe you've slowed your commitment to this craft, or you can't seem to find the time to be creative. There's a lot to be distracted by, and the path forward isn't always clear. Brandi Harper aims to bring those challenges to the forefront and help you unearth the immense benefits that knitting has to offer. In her debut book, *Knitting for Radical Self-Care*, Harper offers tips and suggestions for carving out time for creativity, alongside beautiful patterns to try yourself. The book includes ten original patterns inspired by revolutionary women

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of color, and Harper will speak to these women and their immense impact on her life and our world.

The patterns include detailed instructions, alongside her original prose, all designed to inspire.

Learn the basics of kumihimo braiding and beading to create over 12 pieces of gorgeous jewellery. Kumihimo is a popular jewellery-making technique with origins in Japanese tradition. This colourful and informative beginner's guide to the craft explains how to use a circular kumihimo disc and a variety of braids and beads to create 12 stunning pieces of jewellery, plus

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colour and style variations, for any occasion. Kumihimo is a transportable craft so once you have mastered the basics of placing your braids over the disc in different formations to make a variety of patterns and motifs, you can create kumihimo jewellery wherever you go.

Knitting for Radical Self-Care  
A Beginner's Guide to Jewelry  
Making

Exquisite Stitching with Multi-  
Hole Beads

Stitching with Herringbone,  
Peyote, Ladder Stitch, and More  
Creative Kumihimo

250 Patterns from Japan, Peru &  
Beyond

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## Jill Wiseman's Beautiful Beaded Ropes

### Beads & Braids

Bead stitchers looking for information and instructions for the major bead stitches will find it all in *Bead Stitching Handbook*. This complete reference to bead stitching techniques — the only one of its kind just for stitching — includes clear, step-by-step illustrations and instructions for 15 different bead stitches, plus variations and lots of tips. Ideal for advanced beginners and experienced bead stitchers looking for accurate, in-depth information, this all-in-one resource also covers other stitching-related techniques like bead embroidery, soutache, and loomwork. Finally, the book includes information on beading materials, beads, thread, tools,

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weaves, knots, and much more. Each stitch is demonstrated with easy-to-follow instructions and illustrations, then demonstrated in a sample project so bead stitchers can see and understand how each stitch is applied. All instructions and projects are written by the contributors and editors of *Bead&Button* magazine, the original and most comprehensive beading magazine available today. This well-organized, 128-page, 7.25" x 9.4" reference manual is the perfect size for beaders to keep in their workspaces. They'll turn to it again and again!

Adorn your cozy interiors with hand-woven knotted art and hanging plants. Are you a DIY home decorator, plant lover, or flower lover? We got you! Macramé plant hangers are the perfect little touch to accent your cozy,



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designer home. Macramé—the art of knotting made popular in the seventies—is now on a revival, bringing trendy boho vibes into your living room, bedroom, and more. And there’s simply no better way to display your hanging plants than stringing them up in handmade woven knots. Whether you’re a novice or seasoned knoter, *Macramé Plant Hangers* provides thirty quirky, yet stunning projects that will spark your DIY artist’s imagination and get you creating. Follow detailed photographs and instructions to construct patterns with various natural fibers, including cotton rope, felted wool, silk ribbon, jute, recycled fabric, and more. There are knotted projects suitable for bigger eight-inch pots, small four-inch pots, vintage bottles, and even air plants. Including a practical beginner’s

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section of knot basics; an introduction to weaving; customizable variations to add playful beads, funky fringes, and chic rope tassels to your macramé design for “whimsy”; and a bonus chapter on special projects that mix macramé with a dash of weaving and earthy elements, *Macramé Plant Hangers* is your handy guidebook to adorning interiors with your own custom hand-knotted, vintage art you can be proud of—while keeping it green!

Learn the secrets of making beautiful beaded lace! In *Modern Beaded Lace*, beadweaver extraordinaire Cynthia Newcomer translates her love for lace into exquisite beaded creations. Using basic beadweaving stitches, she transforms delicate seed beads and sparkling crystals into flowers, leaves, and scrolls, which become stunning

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necklaces, pendants, bracelets, earrings, and rings. Cynthia shares everything you need to know to create gorgeous beaded lace, including:

- An overview of the elements of traditional lace and how to translate them into beaded designs
- Instructions for the basic beadweaving stitches used in weaving beaded lace, including herringbone, peyote, right angle weave, and square stitch
- Step-by-step, fully illustrated instructions for creating 18 jewelry projects
- Tips and inspiration for designing your own beaded lace baubles

It's easier than you imagine to make showstopping beaded lace jewelry!

With interest in beadweaving on the rise, *Mastering Peyote Stitch* provides a much-needed look into the most integral technique--peyote stitch. With 15 styles in all, beading geniuses will

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finally have an accessible, easy-to-understand guide to one of the fundamentals of beadweaving, brought to you courtesy of Beadwork Editor Melinda Barta. In the "Peyote Basics" chapter, you will learn the basics of creating flat peyote bands, then advance to circular and tubular variations, eventually learning to fashion dimensional jewelry pieces. Once you've mastered the basics, Melinda dives into designing dimensional jewelry pieces. Additional chapters cover combining peyote with other popular beadweaving techniques (right-angle weave, herringbone, and bead embroidery) and creating unique edgings and embellishments for finished pieces. Melinda, together with Beadwork's Designers of the Year, including Jean Campbell, Lisa Kan, Carole Ohl, Melanie Potter, Jean

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And Beaded Jewelry Projects  
Power, Cynthia Rutledge, and Sherry  
Serafini, demonstrates a range of  
styles in 15 beautiful jewelry projects.

Bead Chic

Bead Crochet Basics

Create Colorful Aluminum Jewelry

Macramé Plant Hangers

Andean Sling Braids

36 Stylish Jewelry Projects & Inspired  
Variations

A Fresh Approach to Kumihimo

Modern Beaded Lace

*Beaders are always seeking  
new ways to create complex  
effects and sophisticated  
looks for their beadwoven  
creations. In Lush &  
Layered Beadweaving,  
experienced teacher and  
designer Marcia Balonis  
breaks down the process of*

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layering beads into easy-to-make designs. Each of the 20+ jewelry projects starts with a layer of beads that serves as the base. Balonis instructs jewelry makers to stitch layers of beads to the base to create gorgeous dimension and texture. The projects make the most of beaders' favorite materials, including multi-hole beads, seed beads, pearls, crystals, and glass. Balonis has a well-developed sense of color and utilizes numerous different colors and shades into her projects.

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*Each project includes clear step-by-step instructions and photos. Experienced beadweavers will love Marcia's projects that incorporate many colors, intriguing ideas, and lush designs – and will want to make them all!*

*Introduces the fundamentals of bead crocheting, providing step-by-step instructions for a variety of techniques and projects designed to help those new to the craft build confidence and skills while creating beautiful necklaces and*

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*bracelets. Original.  
A craft instructor from  
Beaducation.com presents  
24 beaded rope designs  
that utilize popular  
stitch techniques ranging  
from spirals and peyote to  
netting and herringbone,  
explaining to beginner  
through experienced  
beaders how to create  
various wearable  
necklaces, bangles and  
earrings.*

*Metal clay, one of the  
hottest trends in  
jewellery making, is  
combined with traditional  
metal forms to create  
fabulous jewellery. 20 fun*



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*projects, professional  
instruction and a gallery  
of inspirational jewellery  
shows jewellers and  
general crafters how to  
combine an easy-to-work  
material with sheet metal,  
wire and other materials.*

*Kumihimo Wirework Made  
Easy*

*Micro Macramé Basics &  
Beyond*

*15 Inspiring Projects*

*Beginner's Guide to  
Kumihimo*

*Learn How You Can Start  
Making Micro Macramé  
Jewelry Quickly and  
Easily!*

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*The Art of Polymer Clay*

*Millefiori Techniques*

Offers instructions on basic stitches and techniques with 18 bead crochet projects, including purses, carrying cases, and a hat. Benson offers instructions on basic stitches and techniques. Kumihimo Basics & Beyond presents techniques for creating all-cord braids and beaded braids, then teaches beaders how to transform them into finished jewelry. Short demonstrations of the key techniques needed for each project are presented in

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easy-to-grasp portions, allowing beaders to learn and practice as they go. Rebecca Combs demystifies tricky “kumihimo math” by providing detailed supply lists for each project in the book, plus teaches beaders how to calculate the amount of fiber and how many beads they’ll need for their future kumihimo projects.

Discover the gorgeous jewelry that can only be created with kumihimo wirework! Whether new to kumihimo or looking to take your skill to the next level, *Kumihimo Wirework Made Easy* is the companion

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you need. Author Christina Larsen will show you how easy it can be to transition from traditional kumihimo materials to wirework with her expert guidance, comprehensive instruction, and inspiring designs. In this must-have resource, you'll find:

- A complete guide to understanding wireworking tools and materials specific to kumihimo wirework.
- Full step-by-step tutorials for 3 basic kumihimo braid structures perfect for wirework jewelry designs.
- Project instructions for 20 inspiring kumihimo wirework designs

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including earrings, bracelets,  
and pendants. Kumihimo

Wirework Made Easy has  
everything you need to bring  
the ancient art of traditional  
Japanese braiding to your  
modern jewelry designs.

How the twenty-four unique  
designs for the 8-strand round  
braid known as Edo Yatsu  
Gumi were generated.

Step-by-Step Projects &  
Techniques

A Beginner's Guide to Making  
Flat Braids for Beautiful Cord  
Jewelry and Fashion  
Accessories

Beaded Kumihimo Jewelry  
20 Braided Jewelry Designs

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New Designs for Textile Artists  
Bead Stitching Handbook  
Mastering Peyote Stitch  
Contemporary Cube Bead  
Designs

**Introduces the traditional  
Japanese art of cord  
braiding and features step-  
by-step instructions for  
completing fifty projects  
with the included kumihimo  
disk.**

**Providing detailed  
descriptions on how to  
intricately craft stylish wire  
earrings, this beautifully  
illustrated guide offers  
simple yet elegant projects  
that are inexpensive and**

**easily accomplished. Easy-to-follow instructions and comprehensive definitions guide the jewelry maker through the many elements of wire working, such as headpins, jump rings, hoops, loops, spirals, and ear wires, clearly highlighting the techniques and detailing the quality materials necessary to produce functional and innovative works of wearable art. With a diverse selection of 101 contemporary earring projects submitted from top designers, wire crafters of all skill levels will hone**

**their talents while  
discovering new and  
inspirational ideas for  
producing unique and  
creative works in one of the  
fastest growing trends of  
modern jewelry art.**

**Beading experts, teachers,  
and jewelry designers Bert  
and Dana Freed share their  
expertise in this delightful  
collection of jewelry  
patterns and projects.**

**Using a wide range of  
stunning beads in lovely  
color combinations, the  
pieces may look  
complicated, but are very  
easy to make following the  
clearly explained**



**techniques and directions. The projects are organized so that you start with the foundation of bead crochet---the basic chain stitch---then progress through each level to achieve more advanced techniques. Each section opens with clear photographs that demonstrate the techniques needed for the proceeding projects. The "Advanced Tips and Tricks" at the end of the book offer additional tips and tricks for making your bead crochet experience go as smoothly as possible. Beautifully**

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**photographed, Bead  
Crochet Jewelry provides all  
the inspiration and skills  
you need to create unique  
jewelry pieces to wear or  
give as wonderful gifts.  
From dangling earrings to  
chunky necklaces and  
plaited bracelets, these  
beautiful and intricate-  
looking pieces are sure to  
stand out and be admired  
by all.**

**The author uses glass  
pearls, crystals and seed  
beads to create 30 Gilded  
Age-inspired designs for  
bracelets, necklaces,  
earrings, pendants and  
more.**

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**Combining Sheet, Clay,  
Mesh, Wire & More**

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**Beadweaving Techniques  
for Stunning Jewelry**

**Designs**

**Sabine Lippert's Beaded  
Fantasies**

**An Inspired Journey  
Through 27 Designs**

**Macrame Pattern Book  
A Modern Guide**

**Tapestry Bead Crochet**

**Elementary techniques of  
12 maru-dai, 30 kaku-dai  
and 20 ayatake-dai are  
included.**

**Learn to make the  
decorative braids used**

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traditions of Peru and  
Bolivia; this detailed  
guide, including 400  
step-by-step photos,  
teaches the technique  
and over 100 designs for  
weavers, craftspeople,  
jewelrydesigners, basket  
weavers, and others  
interested in using  
braids for  
embellishment. In-depth  
detailed instructions  
are given, along with  
clear diagrams;  
recommended braiding  
yarns for slingsand  
kumihimo; detailed set-

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up, making, and  
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instructions; and many  
fascinating contemporary  
applications. This book  
introduces a new piece  
of equipment, the core  
frame, and gives  
instructions for making  
it from wood and dowels.  
When the core frame is  
used with a braiding  
stand and bobbins, a  
wide variety of core-  
carrying braids become  
accessible to kumihimo  
braiders. Most of the  
braids, from 4 to 40  
strands, can be made on

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a braiding card and 50 patterns can be made on the stand without a frame.

Find 50 flat braiding projects, including friendship bracelets, shoelaces, bag handles, jewelry, watch straps and more, and an enclosed kumihimo square loom. Clear instructions and step-by-step photographs make this a must-have guide for tweens, teens, and adults.

Bead Chic, Chic You Bead Chic will show you how

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to take inspiration that you love and forge your own creative path. After learning basic jewelry techniques, you'll be launched into 36 gorgeous projects. Each project comes with a variation, so you'll learn how easy it is to adapt virtually any project to suit your individual style, making you your own designer. Each of 36 stepped-out projects features an inspiring variation, including some from today's hottest jewelry

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makers, including Jean Campbell, Tammy Powley, Cathie Filian and more. Clear step-by-step photography and instructions allow beaders of all skill levels create projects exactly "as-is" in the book, while variations show how swapping out just one or two elements can make an entirely different look. You'll get to play with beads, a variety of stringing materials—from coated wire, to shapeable wire to commercial chain—and



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findings, all easily  
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