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The Beaded Garden: Creating Flowers With Beads And Thread





Synopsis

Using needle and thread, crafters of all skill levels can create a veritable greenhouse of beaded flowers from the patterns in this book. Beaders and gardeners alike will delight in these projects that use brick, peyote, net, and herringbone stitches, as well as right-angle weave and combination stitches, to create a brilliant bouquet of beaded flowers. Instructions for leaves and stems are included to transform each bloom into a spectacular piece, perfect for dressing up home decors and special occasions. In addition to more than 25 blossom patterns, including water lilies, poppies, orchids, and roses, whimsical insect patterns populate this everlasting garden. A section on beading basics brings beginners up to speed, and a gallery of professionals' creations inspires future projects. The clear instructions and diagrams make these most delicate creations accessible and fun for beaders looking to add new techniques and sparkle to their repertoire.

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Customer Reviews

"This book is beguiling." - Bead Society of Great Britain Newsletter

Diane Fitzgerald is an internationally recognized bead artist, teacher, and the author of several books including Beading with Brick Stitch and Netted Beadwork. She is continually creating new designs for beadwork jewelry at her shop, Beautiful Beads. She lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

I just LOVE this book! I started a project as soon as the book arrived and have finished several

others since. The instructions are clear, concise, and easy to follow. The stitches used are peyote, brick, and herringbone, to create AMAZINGLY beautiful and dainty beadwork gardens. I have made french-beaded (wire construction) flowers for many years and though I still enjoy the vintage-style that they create, the wire structure has never thrilled me....so this book (utilizing thread construction) really excited me, and it has delivered everything that the Vibrant Book Cover eludes to! I am especially fond of the mini flowers and have made an entire batch of "thimble bouquets" using the tiny treasures within a sewing thimble for the "flower pot". They are going to be favors for a Spring Luncheon I am hosting for my special friends and I can't wait to hear their "oohs" an "aahhs". I think if you love beadwork and exquisite flowers you will ADORE this book. It holds a place of honor in my bead box....not even admonished to the bookshelf where the majority of my 30+ beading books reside. Have fun!

Happy with the condition of the book. Thanks

Another beading book to my collection..Will try to make a flower, soon..

The flower variety is very limited. Instructions are not easy to follow. The rose pictured in the section, A Gallery of Inspiration, is how a rose should look (NO INSTRUCTIONS). The rose presented with instructions in the main section of the book is a total disappointment.

I have been an avid beader for many many years and I absolutely loved this book...I haven't made any as of yet but I know I will succeed in doing so....only draw back is, the beads it calls for are expensive however I have years of collection of beads that I will be using!

Another fabulous book by Diane Fitzgerald! I've always wanted to know how to sew beaded flowers and this book definitely will get you started. Unfortunately, I still haven't sewn these flowers, but I certainly plan to do so in the future. I'm in a busy bead embroidery guild member that keeps me busy so many projects are awaiting my free time which there's not much of. But someday will happen, and I will be using this book to guide me. Highly recommend.

It was great to find a beaded flower book as the book shops over in w.a. dont have any. I found the book well illistrated and although I do my beaded flowers with wire I can adapt them to my way. It was great that you were able to look at some of the pages before buying it. I wanted to know that it

had different flowers in it from the ones I already have and that it is easy to understand and it shows how to make them clearly which is what this book has. Although I do my flower different I am going to have a go at the way they are done in this book. They look really beautiful. It is well worth the money to have.

The book is well written, with clear instructions, excellent diagrams and a lot of good information and background for the projects. Additional articles included are very helpful. A lot of good information is available in this book. One can easily become inspired to higher levels of creativity with the suggestions here.

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