



Polymer Clay Jewelry

35 step-by-step projects for beautiful beads and jewelry

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Key Selling Points

- Design and make your own beads to create unique and beautiful jewellery
- Polymer clay is fun and easy to use, roll and shape beads by hand or create sculpted forms or make moulds from found objects
- Craft individual pieces of jewellery including necklaces, bracelets and earrings.

Description

Hand-made jewellery is always in style. So why not go one step further and make your own beads?

Polymer clay is the material of choice, and you will learn how to use free-form techniques and bead-rolling tools to create several styles. Sculpted effects, simulations of semi-precious stones, photo-image transfers and use of glitter and organic material mean the beads you make will be unique. All the tools you will need are listed, and finishing techniques, such as sanding, buffing, and sealing, are described.

Detailed instructions on how to use your own work to create stylish and individual pieces of jewellery, including necklaces, bracelets and earrings are also included. Basic techniques, such as stringing and fixing clasps, lead on to assembling all the components in designs and styles ranging from contemporary and elegant to simple and fun. Beginners and more advanced practitioners alike will find both practical advice and plenty of inspiration.

About the Author

Linda Peterson has been a professional award-winning arts and crafts designer for over 20 years, and is known for her unique eye for detail. Her dazzling designs have appeared in numerous magazines and advertising campaigns. Her previous books include *Creative Ideas to Organize Your Home*, *Beading in No Time*, *How to Make Polymer Clay Beads*, *Metalwork Jewelry* and *Art + Life Combined* (all published by CICO Books). Linda lives in Missouri, USA.