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Making Beautiful Hemp & Bead Jewelry (Jewelry Crafts)





Synopsis

â œDirections, all shown in color, are clear and simple, and the knotting pattern is shown in a schematic diagram. ...There are styles here to please all ages and tastes. A wide variety of closure options are also shown. I particularly like several of the lacy necklaces, the watch strap, and the amulet pouch.â •â "Bead & Button. â œAll ages will enjoy the projects, teens to those of us who remember macrame from many years ago.â •â "Quick & Easy Crafts.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

This book is excellent. It is all I needed to start making hemp necklaces. The first chapter tells you all the supplies you need as well as a little history about hemp. The next chapter talks about all the different knots (such as the square knot, half knot, wrap knot, chinese crown and berry knot - to name a couple) used in making hemp necklaces complete with black and white, easy to understand illustrations on making these knots. The remainder of the book contains over 30 different projects in color ranging from chokers, bracelets, anklets, earrings, keyrings and even an amulet bag. Overall a great book to own.

This book was exactly what I was looking for. It has more than twenty seperate complete designs for

different types of hemp jewelry, as well as great color photos of each so you can easily see what it will look like. It has several knotting techniques, about four weaving techniques, and a few braids as well. I would recommend this book to any novice or above.

I found this book to be quite useful as a reference guide. Though the knotting techniques are all quite simple, it shows different and creative arrangements for beads. The beginning of the book is wonderful to use if you need to refresh your memory on various knots. It shows a picture of the knot, a brief explanation of why you may want to use that particular knot, and a step by step instruction. I recommend the hardback version for your collection, for I fear the paperback version will get worn out very quickly!

Color pictures...that's all this book has to offer. The knotting instructions are vague at very best, and the projects all look essentially the same--a mess. In a nutshell, this book is for hemp weavers who already know what they're doing and want to try out something a little different. To all hemp weavers, I recommend Max Lunger's "Hemp Master" books instead of the above waste of glossy paper and glue. Lunger's instructions are beautifully detailed, and his projects are infinitely more pleasing to the eye.

It's a pretty good book with some really nice looking jewelry to make. BUT the typos and just plain errors are so numerous that it makes it a pain to try to follow the patterns. I've bough many, many pattern books for several different arts and crafts - and I usually find an error or two or even three. This book has more than several and I've only read the first 6 or 8 patterns. Page 14 - the directions for an overhand knot - the second picture is wrong both strands in the picture should be tied not just the one with the other passing straight through. Page 32 - directions call for 2"of half square knots between the tandem and the center 'oval bead' The photograph shows about an inch between those two sets of beads, and the center bead is tapered to one end not oval. I'm pretty good at reading patterns, and it's not a bad book, but I'm really glad it wasn't the first book I got on knotting hemp for jewelry.I would have been lost. If you're good at figuring out what you are supposed to be doing, it is a good book.

This book is filled with great projects and wonderful pictures. I don't recommend it if you have no knotting experience what so ever, like me. It goes over the basics very breifly and left me wondering if I was doing the knot correctly or not. I highly recommend this book if you are looking for some

ideas and you already have the know how.

I've made more than one project out of this book. It's easy to see the patterns and directions are clear and pictures colorful and large.

It is really hard to understand the knots as there aren't real instructions, just one small picture in black and white, not even showing arrows or anything to help you figure out the knotting. It is good for project ideas.

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