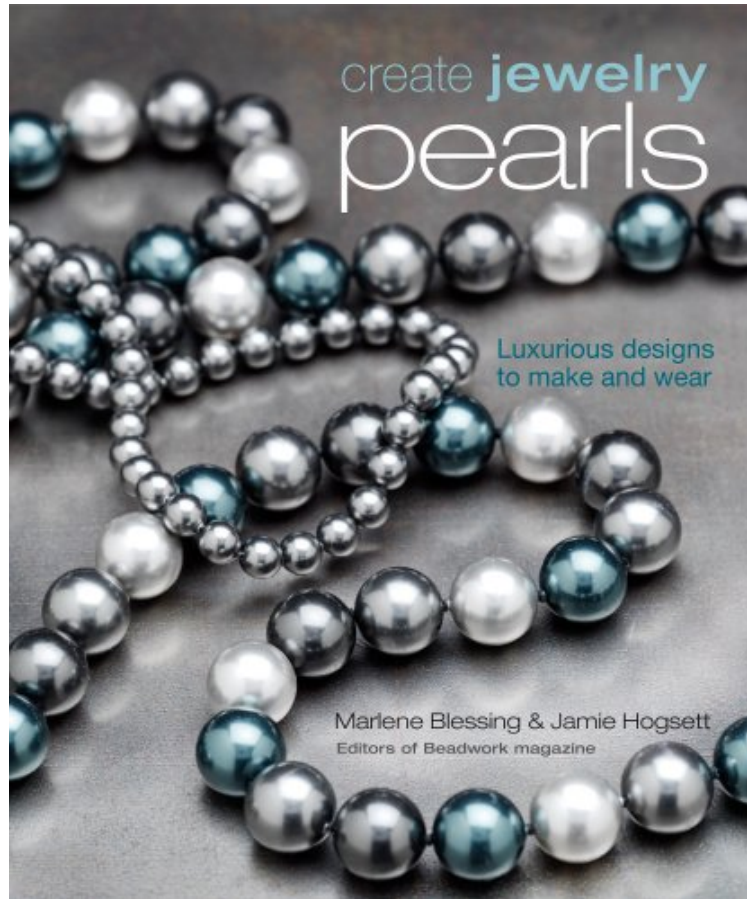


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because this book is really not for the novice jewelry maker or beader. This book is really made for jewelry makers with a strong background knowledge of the basic jewelry making steps (eg: crimping, stringing, pearl-knotting, color design, etc). Thus, without this basic knowledge, a novice jewelry maker or beader, may find some of the directions a bit overwhelming. However, if you have a basic knowledge of beading, I think you will find this book very inspirational. Once again, as I stated before, the photos alone are worth the price! 21 of 22 people found the following review helpful. Ordered, read and then on to to buy! By Linda Lee I first saw this book in my local library and thought it was a book about pearls. I had to order it because it was a new accession at the time. When I finally received the book it was a real revelation to find out that I could make these designs if I wanted to! I was very impressed with the wide range of modern jewelry shown and the details about how the designs were made up. There is not much information on the beading tools needed etc but this is easily found in other well priced books that sells on pearl jewelry making. The real strengths of this book are illustrating the wide range of pearls available today for jewelry making and the beautiful pieces that can be made. I live in Australia and the fact that I searched to find this book and was happy to pay the high shipping fees gives you some idea of the degree to which I enjoyed this book and wanted to own it.

The editors of Beadwork magazine reveal the elegance of pearls with projects, photography, and history in this tribute to nature's iconic gemstone. Step-by-step instructions for 20 stunning projects involving natural, freshwater, and imitation pearls are accompanied by photos to guide jewelry makers of all ability levels through the wide range of materials, colors, and shapes used in these elegant and wearable designs. Broken into three sections, "The Classics" covers traditional pearl stringing and simple earrings, "Special Occasions" includes a striking copper-colored choker and a lariat suitable for a bride, and "Fashion Forward" contains a bangle with fiery-colored pearls and a dramatic bracelet using handmade beads and dyed pearls. Chapters on the science and culture of pearls include tips on selecting, working with, and caring for these treasures, while engaging anecdotes and vibrant images of pearls throughout history round out this informative and entertaining book.

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