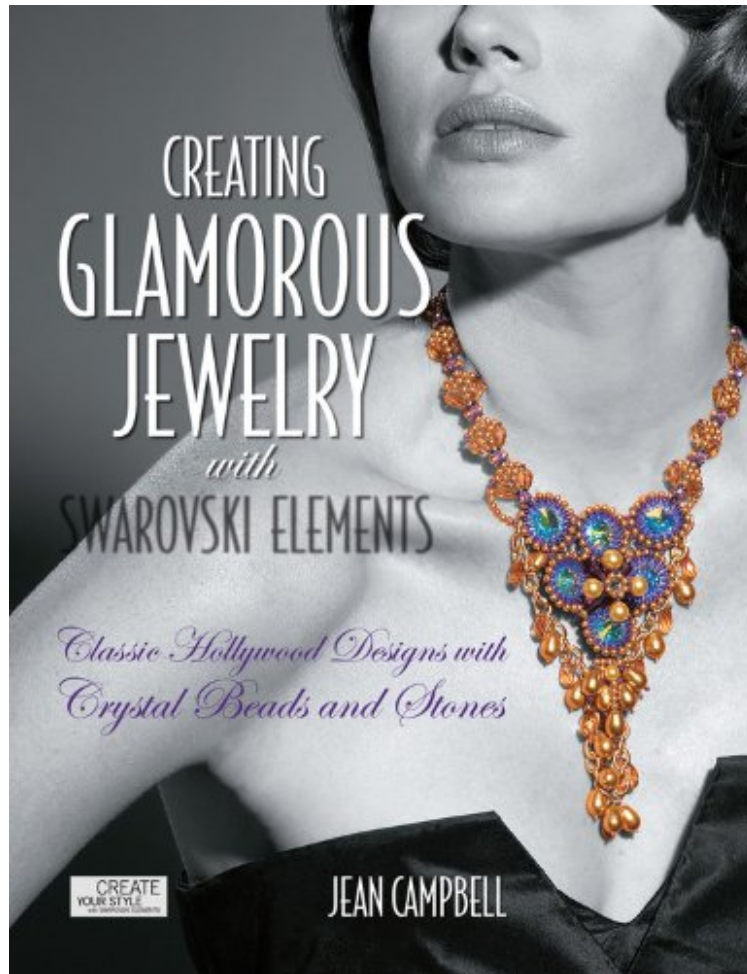


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Jean Campbell : Creating Glamorous Jewelry with Swarovski Elements: Classic Hollywood Designs with Crystal Beads and Stones before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Creating Glamorous Jewelry with Swarovski Elements: Classic Hollywood Designs with Crystal Beads and Stones:

26 of 26 people found the following review helpful. A good buy! Doubt I'll make many of the projects though By N. SmithPros:Features 26 projects, and GLAMOROUS is right! Be prepared for oooo's and aaah's! You get a little history and nostalgia with your projects! Features just as many great photos of actresses with snippets about them and whatever old movie they're shown in. It got an "Aww[...]" out of me because Tony Curtis recently passed away, and

he's on pg 66 with Natalie Wood (sporting a gorgeous bracelet that inspired the project) in an image from *The Great Race* - a favorite movie of mine growing up. :) You get to see the designer's inspiration AND the finished project. I really liked seeing the original piece the actress wore in the left-hand page photo, then looking at the beaded project piece on the right-hand page photo. Very cool too see the transition from the designer's interpretation and creation of the piece like that! The instructions seem thorough enough for a determined amateur, more than enough if you have some experience with beadweaving. Cons: The price tag to make most of these projects is pretty staggering if you buy the listed supplies. You could substitute away from the crystal and go with glass and stone to make it less expensive and over-the-top... but that wasn't the point of the book now was it?! ;-) As a previously noted, there's something wrong with the Swarovski color chart!! A disservice bordering on sabotage to readers who would place an expensive order expecting one color, and end up receiving something else. Verify your colors online before ordering if you don't have them memorized. Wearability - it's all gorgeous, but not for everyday wear unless you don't mind funny looks... Overall: I won't refer to it often or make many of these projects, but I am glad I bought it! I would recommend it as a collector's item to experienced beaders or to a bridal party looking to go custom and glamorous for the wedding.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. **Creating Glamorous Jewelry with Swarovski Elements: Classic Hollywood Designs with Crystal Beads and Stones** By Catherine Taylor

In my opinion, this book is by far "The Best of Jean Campbell!!" I love Swarovski crystal bling, and Jean has included plenty in her book. Many of my own designs I name after Hollywood women celebrities or women that have made a difference in our world. So when I opened this book and saw how Jean had included photographs of Hollywood celebrities from 1930-1965 wearing jewelry and Jean had designed beadwoven jewelry that's reminiscent to that celebrity, I was simply thrilled!! Thank you Jean! And beyond the usual materials, stitches, and techniques; her book includes Swarovski crystal shapes guide, beads pendants color guide, and crystal pearls color guide which is so helpful when designing your own beadwork. The designs in this book are gorgeous! There are beautiful rivoli earrings (Audrey Hepburn), triangular chaton earrings (Greta Garbo), crystal briolettes necklace (Ann Sheridan), crystal briolettes and pearl earrings (Marlene Dietrich), a crystal pearl bracelet (Elizabeth Taylor), navettes bracelet (Marilyn Monroe), crystal rivet pearls fabric bracelet (Natalie Wood), crystal polygon teardrop necklace (Olivia de Havilland), crystal pearl rings (Carmen Miranda), Pacific opal earrings (Elizabeth Taylor), crystal oval fancy stone necklace (Vivian Leigh), round crystal bracelet (Natalie Wood), crystal baroque pearl necklace (Mae West), two-holed sew-on crystal bracelet (Dorothy Dandridge), crystal marguerite lochrose star necklace (Hedy Lamarr), violet opal round crystal necklace (Grace Kelly), chaton montees rivoli necklace (Sophia Loren), rivoli chaton polygon teardrop briolette round pear-shaped and montee necklace (Zsa Zsa Gabor on the cover), oval fancy cabochons necklace (Dinah Shore), and oval fancy stone cabochon bracelet (Marlene Dietrich). Hope I have made you curious enough to buy this book. You won't be sorry. It's definitely a keeper and a FAV for me!

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. **Don't pass this up!!** By Theodora

Don't pass up this book! Honestly! You will be sorry! I'm a relatively "new" bead weaver, fairly good with needle and thread... With that said, the projects in this book are easier than they look! The directions are amazingly easy to follow... although I LOVE Swarovski elements, I can't totally afford them... so, I "watered down" some of the projects with semi-precious stones... perhaps not as "glamorous," but certainly every bit as beautiful in a more "grounded" sort of way. BUT... even more than the eye-popping "reproductions" beautifully detail-photographed, I enjoyed the stories! I never knew Carmen Miranda was born in Portugal and started out entertaining her co-workers in a hat shop in Brazil... Did that catch your attention? Read the history of Daniel Swarovski, pick up your needle and thread, ask which one of those dazzling beauties in your bead collection wants to become the next Haute Couture... move over Coco Chanel, here you come! Have fun!

Creating Glamorous Jewelry with Swarovski Elements presents a collection of modern reproductions of classic Hollywood glitz, worn by the dazzling starlets of the big screen, including Marlene Dietrich, Katherine Hepburn, and Marilyn Monroe. All 20 sparkling jewelry pieces are made with the internationally popular Swarovski products, including the newest items in their line of crystal beads and stones. Detailed instructions and illustrations take you step-by-step through the creation of each piece. Whether dressed up or dressed down, these statement pieces will be fun to wear and become stunning, heirloom-quality additions to your jewelry collection.

From *Booklist* Campbell, the founding editor of *Interweaves Beadwork* magazine, is no stranger to writing books on the topic, with 40 titles under her doubtlessly beaded belt. Here she mixes the magic of Hollywood with the shine of Swarovski crystals as she gives her interpretation of 26 classic pieces. Beginning with a fascinating introduction about Daniel Swarovski's influence on couture, the book is then divided by Hollywood's leading ladies. A photo of Audrey Hepburn, Grace Kelly, or Elizabeth Taylor faces a crisp, full-page picture of earrings, a bracelet, or necklace that replicates the jewelry the star is wearing. The next several pages supply instructions, both written and illustrated, for making the piece. Some, like the earrings resembling those Vivien Leigh wore in a theatrical performance of Antony and Cleopatra, or Natalie Wood's gem-studded leather cuff, are truly fabulous, but even the less-sophisticated pieces should intrigue beaders. A very glam craft book. --Ilene Cooper Campbell, the founding editor of *Interweaves*

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