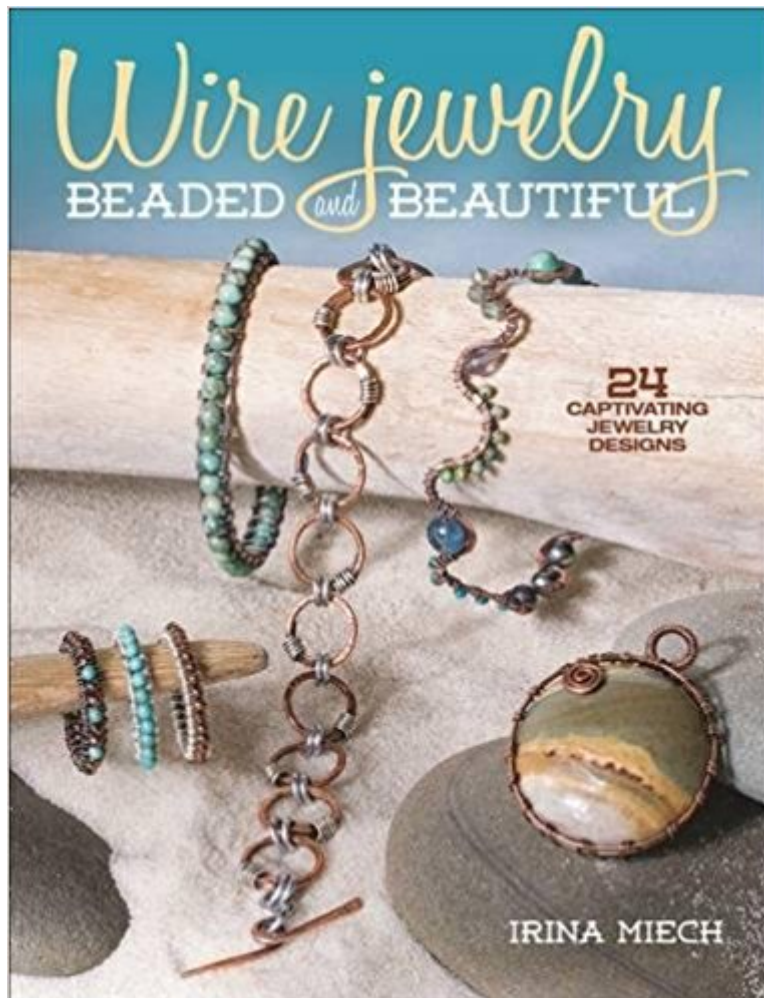




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# Wire Jewelry: Beaded And Beautiful: 24 Captivating Jewelry Designs



## Synopsis

Noted designer and author Irina Miech returns to her favorite medium with *Wire Jewelry: Beaded and Beautiful*, a collection of 24+ timeless wire jewelry projects beginners can create with a minimum investment in tools and materials. Using a clear, illustrative teaching style, Irina introduces standard wire techniques like wrapping loops, spirals, and zig-zags; hammering; creating simple clasps, and much more. Jewelry makers can apply their new skills to beautiful earrings, rings, pendants, bracelets, necklaces, and captured cabochons that have a timeless, classic look and feel. The focus is on materials and tools readily available at national retailers and independent bead shops alike: base metals, beads, semiprecious stones, and cabochons in various sizes and shapes. Even the findings—chain, clasps, and jump rings—are easy to find. With *Wire Jewelry: Beaded and Beautiful*, jewelry makers at every level will be able to create timeless jewelry pieces using standard techniques and materials.

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## Customer Reviews

Irina Miech is a noted artist, teacher, and author. This is her 8th book, and her first wire book since 2010. She oversees two retail shops and makes her home in Brookfield, Wisconsin.

I fell in love with Irina Miech's beautiful designs when I first purchased her 2009 release, *Beautiful Wire Jewelry for Beaders*, and later several of her following releases on wire wrapping with beads and cabochons. Although I've been making wire wrap jewelry

for years, I can safely say you don't have to be an expert to create beautiful works of art following the clear directions and accompanying photos in *Wire Jewelry Beaded and Beautiful*. This issue is chocked full of over 40 designs to stir your creative juices and help you make stunning pieces for yourself or others, either as gifts or for sale. Among the designs featured are coiling patterns, focal point frames and bails, cabochons and focal point stones. As always, Irina starts off with the basics, centering on tools and techniques, including some new items (at least to me) such as the use of Patina Gel and bracelet-making pliers. The chasing hammer and bench block are used to make beautiful spiral designs. Among them, great for beginners, are the "Pearl Simplicity Pendant" and the "Spiral Zig Zag Earrings," and even the "Grecian Scroll Bracelet" which at first might seem a bit complicated, but with Irina's easy to follow directions, you too can create stunning pieces of jewelry, whether you're making pendants, earrings, bracelets or rings. All of Irina's releases offer wonderful ideas and inspirations for jewelry designers, and this latest release is no different. In fact, *Wire Jewelry: Beaded and Beautiful* just proves her designs keep getting better and better. My full review can be found at [MyShelf.com](http://MyShelf.com).

I found this book full of new ideas that are easy to follow. The only thing I find is my measuring of wire. When I cut the prescribed lengths, I found myself short by just a little due to my inexperience with these designs. So, for the wire weaving I'm working off the spool which gives me enough length & with a lot of arthritis in my hands, it's easier for me to hold the finer wires.

It's exciting to get a book and find myself marking almost every page because I like the projects so much.

This book has a lot of designs I really like.

Great Book!! Their explanations of how to make each item is great.

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