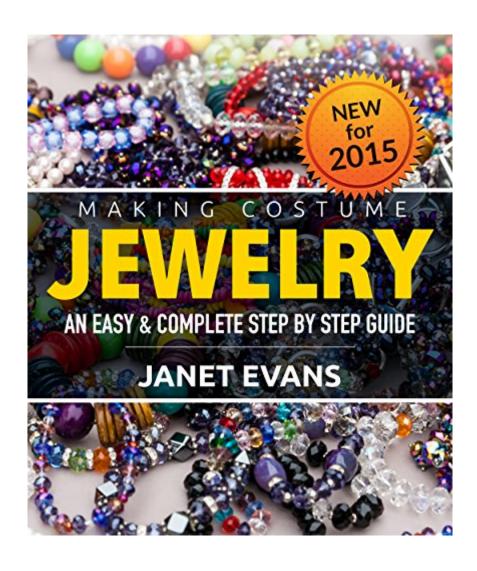
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Making Costume Jewelry: An Easy & Complete Step By Step Guide





Synopsis

The first thing you need to consider before you begin the process of learning how to make costume jewelry is what type you wish to make. The best way of determining what style of jewelry you want to make is to look through various magazines and see what's on offer in stores locally. It's also a good idea to gain inspiration for your costume jewelry designs by visiting museums or art galleries. You may even gain inspiration for your designs when out for a walk.

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Customer Reviews

I love this book. This is so informative. It really does an amazing job at describing so many great things to try out in your jewelry making crafts. It provides great, clear, and easy to see pictures with every little thing it is describing. Very educational to the craftier. I will keep this as a reference to go back to after reading when I need ideas, or to change things up in my projects, or if I am looking to purchase something and can't remember the name of it. I am very impressed with the content of this book, and the handy pictures is a bonus for sure. The author really nailed it with this book. It is very well wrote, and easy to follow along with and not get lost, confuses or just plain old bored with reading it. It is very up to date on all the new trends in Jewelry making. This has great ideas and

tips. Great to take with you to a crafting party, and pass it around to show your friends some great things, with beautiful pictures. I learned a lot form this book. I think,know correction, I know I will continue to read this book for a long time. Janet Evens thanks for an amazing detailed look into crafting Jewelry projects. I definitely recommend this. A great value, very affordable. well wrote, amazing details and pictures, can't go wrong with this.*Disclaimer, I was able to test this amazing product complimentary from the seller, in exchange for my honest product review. All of my impressions are that of my own.. I was not paid in any way, my opinion stays my own regardless of any circumstances.

As someone who is inexperienced in making jewelry, I thought this was the perfect book for me to read before getting started. There is so much information out there, and everyone is trying to sell you something that you don't need. This book tells you exactly what you need and why, making the guess work not needed! It is well written, sounding like it has the sense of a conversation or going to a workshop. I especially love how there are thorough instructions on how to make various types of jewelry with photos to accompany them. It has me excited to start making jewelry! I received this item at a discount in exchange for an honest review. This does not guarantee a high ranking review.

What a great read! I have a mother that is a jewelry maker and she has always wanted me to share it with her. When I saw this book I thought I would get a crash course so I didn't have to jump in the the deep end with her. This was exactly what I needed. Not only was it informative on technique but also with Ideas and Inspiration! At first I was going to read this and keep my little secret before I went to my lesson with mom, but now I think I'm loaded for bear and she would love it too! I'm going to recommend this to her right away. I recommend this to any beginner too, or really anyone that wants a bit of inspiration for a new hobby. I'm off to the bead store! I received this through a promotion, free of charge in exchange for my honest opinion and review. I read this as a digital copy on my Kindle Fire.

Without a picture of the finished product how do I know if I want to make it in the first place?

I have quite a few jewelry making books, both in paper and on my Kindle and this is easily one of the most detailed! I absolutely loved at the beginning that there were pictures of the tools needed for all the projects in the book and a rundown of what they are, what they're used for, etc. As awesome as that was, the second chapter that covers materials needed was the best! I have this flagged on my Kindle for future projects. This goes through the different types of wire used in jewelry making. Anyone that's made any form of jewelry that requires wire knows it can be tricky picking the right type. This breaks down each of the most commonly used wires and what they are best used for. Going into other materials that can be used (elastic cord, invisible cord, etc) is just a bonus. To top off all that useful info is more on beads that can be used and the different clasps available, some of which i've never heard of, and different types of findings used. The next chapter goes into where to buy all these things and tips on making/selling your jewelry. Basically, all the information you need in the first half of this book. There are a decent amount of pictures per project, usually for steps that are more intricate, but honestly the directions are so well written, i don't think pictures are really necessary for each individual step. My only gripe with this book is that there are not many projects. That being said, the projects they do have will have you doing steps that can be easily translated into other projects. There's great instructions for a lampwork bead bracelet. Once you make a bracelet, complete with clasps and all, you can pretty much substitute any material you want. I did receive this book for a discount for giving my honest review. I'd easily buy this though. It's a keeper!

Making Costume Jewelry book is a detailed breakdown of the tools needed, explanation of different clasps, beads, attachments (etc) and how to create the projects given. This book is for the novice who isn't familiar with jewelry at all. After reading the tools needed for each project, many of the tools can be substituted, so don't spend all your money by following the instructions. Each project has a list of supplies needed then a step by step with one picture per step, but no final picture of the finished project you are trying to replicate. Although very detailed and informative, the descriptions are lengthy and most can be described with just a picture and label. Example: The section explaning the different types of clasps have a good paragraph with an explanation. With the name and picture above the explanation, being just a straight-forward clasp, it seems excessive and a waste. "Box Clasp: Also known as the Tab insert. This clasp is made up of a tab, which inserts into a decorative box or frame." This quote from the book is then followed by 8 more lines describing the Box Clasp. Each item introduced (beads, clasps, etc) is followed by a lengthy description. Overall, if you are a complete novice and want to learn everything there is to know about each item, bead and tool used in jewelry this is the book for you. There are step-by-step projects, but like I said above, you will never see the finished project. This book was purchased at a discount in return for this honest review.

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