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## Beaded Images II: Intricate Beaded Jewelry Using Brick Stitch



## Synopsis

Get ready to explore an exciting new frontier in bead design! Journey beyond geometric and pictorial patterns to a realm where beads can be sculptured into an unlimited variety of shapes. From birds in flight to rearing horses and clowns with curly, three-dimensional hair, the earrings in this book are truly amazing to behold. Barbara's use of smaller beads (Delica, Hex and 14/Â seed beads) allows the creation of amazing design detail in earrings which are small, light in weight, and very original in appearance. This unique how-to book is fully illustrated and contains complete, detailed instructions, with specific notes for each design. It begins with a chapter of Basic Information, including sections on Beads, Needles \& Thread, and Wax, Workspace \& Lighting. There are 29 incredible designs, each coded for its level of difficulty from * easiest, to ***** most difficult. Standard instructions for beading and the essential techniques needed to create sculptured designs (increasing and decreasing the number of beads in a row) are presented in the Getting Started section. To simplify the sculptured patterns, a system of symbols indicating frequently used techniques is also introduced. The steps indicated by each symbol are fully illustrated and explained. Other chapters include Horizontal Base Rows, Vertical Base Rows and a fanciful chapter called Girls, Curls and Clowns with lots of three-dimensional detail. Each of these chapters features creative patterns using the techniques discussed. Sculptured designs included are: Penguin, Mallard, Mallard Taking Off, Wood Duck, Rearing Horse, Peregrine, Grapes, Junk, Pagoda, Sculptured Rose, Bouquet, Alley Cat, Siamese Cat, Persian Cat, Big Eared Dog, Lion, Yellow Ducky, Flying Peregrine, Hot Air Balloon, Flower Basket, Mask, Derringer, Flapper Girl, Blonde Curly-Haired Girl, Girl With Hat, Clown With Red Bow, Orange Curly-Haired Clown, Hobo Clown, and Wild Hair Clown. At the end of the book, blank sheets of Bead Graph Paper are provided for Delica beads (vertical and horizontal) and Hexagon beads (horizontal). These can be copied by those who have mastered the books techniques and wish to create their own designs. An outstanding book for those seeking to stretch their creative legs!

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Of all the books l've seen with earring patterns, I think this is about the best. The instructions are clear and easy to follow and the designs are quite unique. Even though it is marketed to a more advanced beader, I believe that a beginner could handle these designs and progress quite successfully through all the chapters.

I had been hunting for this book for over a year now because I wanted to make the parrot earrings but had a confusing system for finding it ... I finally found it by following a link from Good Reads. I couldn't even find it on the author's own web page. Also, I am not that fond of the Gourd stitch \& much prefer the brick stitch. Patterns are easy to follow. Quite frankly I didn't think that any of the designs were over the top -- but then I am in my 60's \& wear belly dance scarves with blue jeans \& tee shirts so you probably shouldn't pay too much attention to my taste in accessories. I will buy Book 2 in a few months. She also has several rose \& floral designs \& a whole section on Christmas earnings.

Wonderfully imaginative use of Delica beads. These sculptedbeaded earrings are very unique. The author shows realimagination with the array of designs in this book. I was inspired by what I could make with tiny glass cylinder beads. Picture patterns including the cutest clowns. A wide variety of patterns, something for everyone.

Good clear instructions for unusual beaded earrings. Some a little over the top for me, but some that are gorgeous too! Should suit anyone who's looking to make earrings that are just a little different.

I think Barbara Elbe is one of the best designers for jewelry. I love making her stuff and so does everyone else that sees it. I would recommend any/all of her books. Thanks, Barbara for putting your ideas in book form.

What a wonderful artist this author is A pleasure to use her bead graphs

Great book with earring patterns that are easy to follow and whip up in no time with brick stitch. If peyote seems too complicated brick stitch may be easier for you. During bead class at my local bead store the teacher showed us a copy of this book and some of the patterns but she only had the one copy so I came to and found a copy of my very own. Don't miss this one!

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