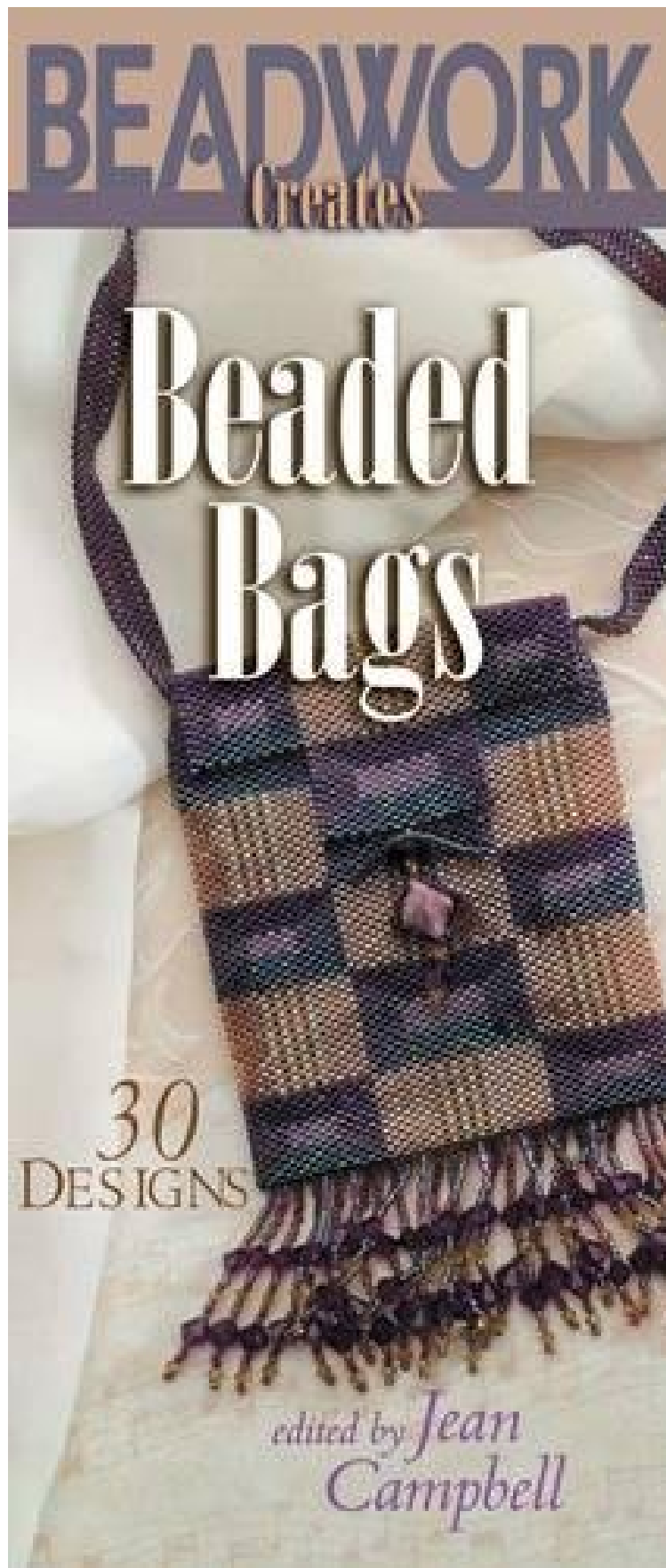



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These designs for a wide variety of bags from the beading world's top designers will amaze beginners as well as advanced beadworkers. These 30 projects include clutches, drawstring purses, wrist bags, amulet bags, and even a market bag. Featured are a variety of techniques leading to bags that are not only beautiful, but can often be completed in an evening or weekend, providing instant gratification. Included are tips to help start each project and clear demonstrations of each stitch used in the book. Each project includes information about the designer, giving a feel for the people in and the bead buzz surrounding this interesting and accessible community.

From BooklistIt is far easier these days to extract ideas and patterns from specialty crafts magazines than it is to compile a book without previous editorial references. In these two new offerings from Interweave, the muse is Beadwork magazine and its talented contributors. Designer Campbell acts as selector for 30 unusual beaded bag patterns, one in a series sponsored by the magazine. More than a dozen artists draw upon a variety of techniques, including knitting and crocheting, to produce purses in different design styles. There's a bead-decoupage plastic box, with decorations applied on top of special tape. Existing fabric purses are embellished with abstract art deco-like motifs or enhanced by highlighting existing patterns with beads for a three-dimensional impact. Directions are flawless, with all the requisite information and visuals, yet only a few explained techniques (appended) and the absence of "difficulty" designations make this collection one for experienced beadworkers only. In contrast, Minneapolis artisan Fitzgerald strives to attract a broader audience, including a chapter on the basics as well as an intriguing cultural survey of Chinese, Indian, American European, African, Egyptian, and Greenlander beading traditions. What's more, the dozen and a half projects act as a far better definition of netted beadwork than the half paragraph proffered by the author; these connected bead fabrics range from a 1920s-inspired flapperlike bead necklace to an ultramodern ruffle bracelet or sea moss necklace. Instructions for each are detailed enough that, in combination with the explanation of fundamental stitches, novices might feel confident to tackle the projects. A 15-page gallery showcases the best of beadwork at the hands of artisans. Barbara JacobsCopyright American Library Association. All rights reserved "Consider this compact volume a take-along book of projects to dream upon." - Shuttle, Spindle Dyepot magazine "If you never thought about creating a beaded bag, the ideas shown within these 134 pages should spark a desire." - Embroiderers' Guild of America "The thirty projects are all quite different and are offered by a number of wonderful beadworkers... This is a fabulous book not to be overlooked if you love beaded accessories designed by some of the best in the beading arts!" -- Pretty Kitty Dog Moon Jewelry "This is one book which can fit into a Christmas stocking!... The book showcases the work of some highly creative artists. It is an inspirational book especially for those who love both beads AND bags." -- Beading Gem "Whether you're beading a bag for yourself or as a gift, you'll find beautiful photography, clear illustrations, and more than enough projects to inspire you for years to come." -- Beading Arts