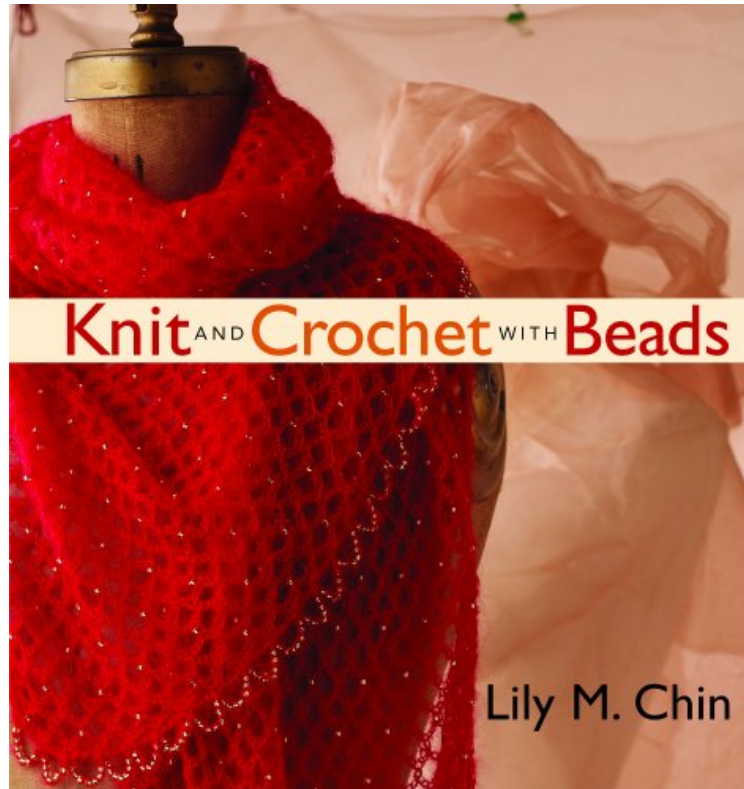


## Knit and Crochet with Beads

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**Lily Chin : Knit and Crochet with Beads** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Knit and Crochet with Beads:

25 of 25 people found the following review helpful. Something for everyone! By Trish :-) This book has something for all...those who knit, crochet, beginners and advanced. I particularly liked the different techniques Lily uses to attach beads at various stages of your project. You can bead before, during and after starting your project. There are also lots of ideas for designing your own projects and using beads to jazz up an existing pattern. She shows how to add beads to different stitches so if you have a single crochet sweater..you can graph and add beads yourself!! I also love the patterns....very modern and classy. Good job Lily! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent instruction By N. Hoites Excellent instruction on how to enhance your knitting by using beads in the patterns and designs 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful! By tmtrvlr Knit and Crochet with Beads by Lily M. Chin is everything you would expect from this talented author. Included patterns for knitting with beads include socks, a necklace, a tank top (my personal favorite - stunning), vest, purses, sweaters, pillow, collar, and other miscellaneous designs. The photographs are beautiful, the instructions clear, and diagrams informative. There are also pages to design your own. I highly recommend this book for any knitter who is ready to add a special touch of class to your work.

Handknitting and crochet are taken to a whole new level with the fashion-savvy designs provided in this book. Stitch techniques for knitting and crochet include prestrung and hoisted-atop stitches, single- and double-crochet, and half-double crochet. Each technique is then demonstrated with an exciting range of masterful designs that feature a sparkling array of beads strategically nestled among the stitches. Beaded projects are accompanied by easy, step-by-step instructions and illustrations and include Fair Isle and cabled tunic sweaters, a short-sleeve pullover and vest, felted slippers with a beaded-star pattern, and dazzling jewelry. Also shown are ways to mix techniques and add beaded accents to pockets, collars, scarves, socks, vests, and even pillows. Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels will find inspiring projects and a feast of possibilities for one-of-a-kind garments and accessories.

From BooklistEverything's coming up beading these days--especially with two veteran artisans intent upon showcasing what can be done with baubles and bugles and all kinds of small stones.Knitting wizard Chin, author of *Urban Knitter* (2002) and *Mosaic Magic* (1999), concentrates her third how-to book on the myriad ways to incorporate beads into knit and crochet projects--more than 25, ranging from a bespangled Grace Kelly-style collar to a wondrous Homage to [Keith] Haring jacket in purple chenille. In essence, she separates the book into techniques, differentiated between three interpretations of beads entangled in yarn: those integrated into the fabric, individual strands with beads woven in, and beads applied onto the finished fabric. Each pattern features at least one color photograph, charts or illustrations, and directions that even a beginner could follow. A bit advanced for the rank novice, yet enticing designs for anyone to try. Glossary, suppliers, and further reading appended.Doelp takes the art of beading quite literally, using as her inspirational springboard the extraordinary, intricate immortelles, or French Victorian beaded mourning wreaths. Giving kudos to her mentor Virginia Nathanson, she briefly covers the history, then expounds on the basics and four techniques (continuous loops, continuous crossover loops, basic frame, and continuous wraparound loops), with accompanying directions. Project number 1, the classic poppy pin, features excellent step-by-step photographs that capture the beading process. From that, readers are encouraged to try the other 29, whether it's a lifelike draping wisteria or a 150 percent fantasy bouquet. New techniques are flagged and explained well, such as outlining and striping; occasional design tips enhance the do-it-yourselfer's pride of accomplishment. Metric conversions and information on contributing designers appended. Barbara JacobsCopyright American Library Association. All rights reserved "A must-have reference for adventurous knitters and crocheters." -- Knitter's magazine"Fashion-savvy designs for all skill levelsEasy step-by-step instructions and illustrations." -- DIYnetwork.com Editors Picks, Jewelry-Making Must-Haves"If you already have the basics and can follow a pattern, this is the book for you." -- Upper Midwest Bead Society"If you like beads and crochet then this is a must have for your crochet library." -- BellaOnline.com"Its a magical combination [yarn and beads], great projects, and instructions you can follow." -- Crochet Fantasy"Lilys experience as a knitting teacher shines through in her lucid textHer elegant and stylish designs are accessible and appealing." -- Creative Knitting"Shows readers how to take their needlework up a notch by creating outerwear and accessories that are guaranteed to dazzle." -- Vogue Knitting International"The ultimate guide to beading for knitting and crocheting." -- Crochet"This book is fantastic and worth the priceThe details and illustrations are superb. [It] should be an all-time best-seller." -- Knitting News"This book is filled with stylish, elegant designsan excellent technical reference, and should serve as an inspiration for a lifetime." -- Crochetme.comAbout the AuthorLily M. Chin has designed knitwear for magazines and yarn companies, has worked with the Gap and Isaac Mizrahi, and is the author of *The Urban Knitter* and *Mosaic Magic*, *Afghans Made Easy*. She writes the *On Designing* column for *Knitters Magazine* and the annual *Focus on Fibers* report for *Knit n Style*. She lives in New York City.