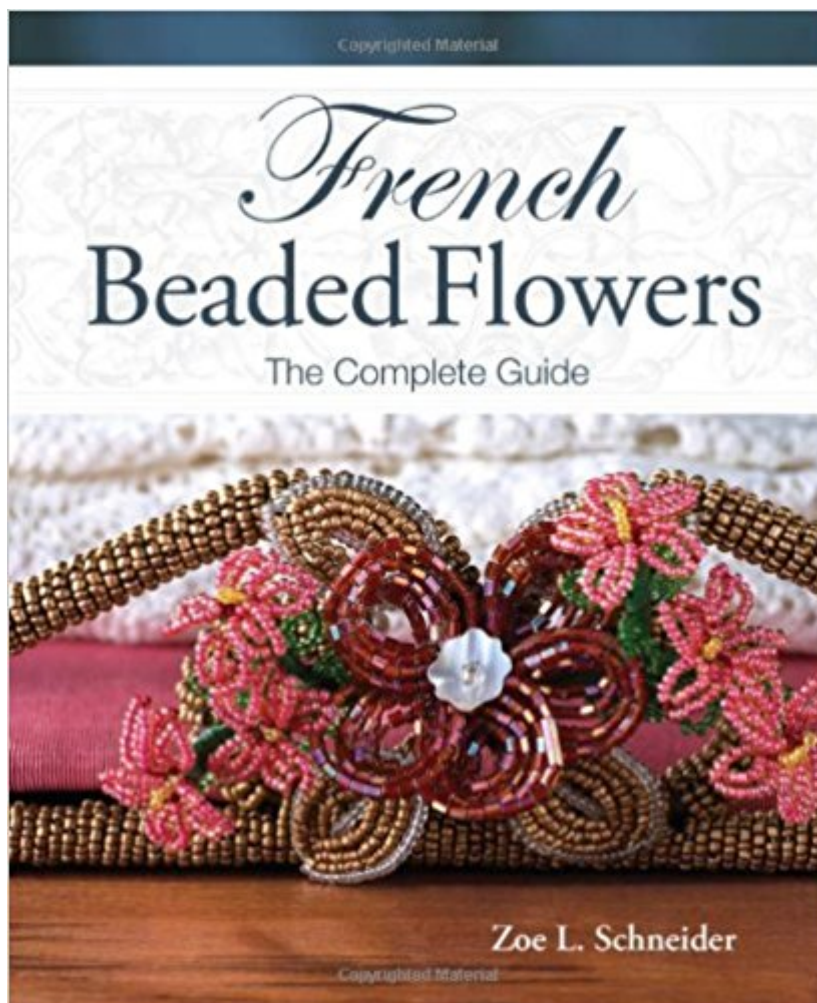




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French Beaded Flowers - The Complete Guide



Synopsis

Readers will learn traditional techniques for French beading through concise instructions, charts and spreadsheets. This complete resource guides the reader through the basics of the craft - materials and supplies, basic floral design, colour, bead selection and fundamental techniques (with most demonstrated on three skill levels). Never before has there been such a complete French beading reference in the marketplace that provides information on history, aesthetic, technique, design, supplies, conservation and care.

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Customer Reviews

Award-winning French beader Zoe Schneider has over 20 years of experience in French beading, including creating commissioned work and teaching different beading techniques. For several years, she has entered finished pieces in competition and has received top awards, including Best in Show, Judge's Choice, Division Champion and first place recognition.

This book takes a lot of the techniques and breaks them down into easy-to-understand instructions. It also has pictures to go with each instruction which really helps to see what the step is supposed to look like. I use this book as a reference when I am doing other projects. When there is a step in the project that I don't remember how to do, this book is what I go to. There are also some nice beginner projects in the back of the book.

This book may be discouraging for newer beaders. I found it very intriguing with techniques that were new to me.

I wish I could rate this book at 4.5 stars. I make French beaded flowers. I own a lots of beaded flowers books. Therefore, I may be a little bit picky. It is definitely a good book for beginners. It covers all the techniques to make beaded flowers, some may be missed in other beaded flowers books. However, if you have learned how to make the beaded flowers, you may find there is little to learn. The patterns in the thirt part are good. I wish there are more pictures in the gallery part. The spiral bounding is really great!

A GREAT reference book. Really like the spiral binding.

I bought this book based on the reviews recommending it for beginners. I know nothing about French beaded flowers and was hoping to use this book to teach myself, since the it supposedly covers the basics and provides step-by-step instructions. While there is a fairly comprehensive review of flower parts, beads, and tools at the beginning of the book, once the flower "instructions" begin, there's not much to the book. I can't make heads or tails of it and I am experienced beader. I asked a good friend to look at the book with me to see what I was obviously missing and she informed me that the instructions are written similar to a knitting pattern; since I don't knit, no wonder it didn't make sense to me. There are no step-by-step pictures with any of the patterns. There are limited pictures for the step-by-step instructions for the flower parts, although the instructions still lack sufficient detail to assist a beginner. On one pattern, my friend and I both combed through the book several times to find the definition for the abbreviation "CL" - it took 15 minutes of searching to find it. CL was not listed in the index; once we found the definition, we could not find a reference for how to actually make it. That took another 15 minutes of searching through the book. I would still like to make French beaded flowers, but after looking at this book, I realize I am going to have to take some classes. I would not recommend this book for true beginners; this book would be good for someone with some experience in making French beaded flowers.

Very detailed.

This book covers all of the different "stitches" needed for a large variety of patterns. It is my go to book when I need help with different techniques.

This is a good quality product. I am very pleased with their consistency. I expected something less for the price. This is very nice. Thanks!

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