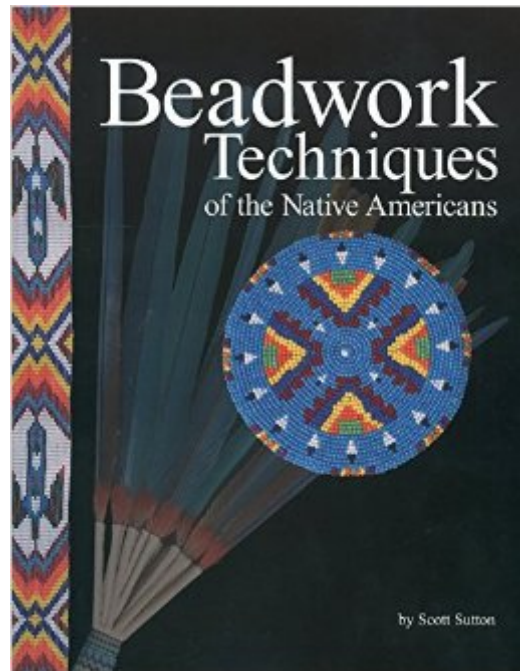


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# Beadwork Techniques Of The Native Americans



## Synopsis

Here is a book that covers basics, advanced techniques, appropriate supplies, and actual examples, all richly illustrated and easy to follow. This volume covers bead work found among the western Plains Indians both past and present. Styles include loom work, applique, lazy/lane stitch and the gourd (peyote) stick (conventional, brickwork, and loom-variation). Also included are instructions on how to make and bead moccasins. Highly detailed step-by-step color photographs and illustrations complement each project. To help those just getting started, there is a full discussion of appropriate beading supplies with a simple chart to take the mystery out of matching needle and thread sizes. This work also features dozens of first-rate Indian-and-non-Indian made bead work from museums, private collections, and today's marketplace. This book is an artful contribution to the craft of bead working.

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## Customer Reviews

I sell beads and beading books at my store...Blue Hawk Beads in Pendleton, OR. This is one of less than five books I would keep myself or recommend highly. The photos are excellent. The color pictures are great. Best of all, the instructions and photos of how to "do it" are spot on. A+ Good book.

After buying a wooden bead loom, I discovered I needed more detailed information than was included with the loom or that I was able to find on the internet. This book has detailed instruction with drawings and photographs. In addition there are numerous color photographs of finished work

and of pieces from museums and collections. It would have helped me to decide to buy this book if it had shown the table of contents. There are six chapters: 1. Supplies, 2. Loom Beadwork, 3. Applique beadwork, 4. Peyote Beadwork, 5. Lazy Stitch Beadwork and 6. Plains Hard Soled Moccasins. There are detailed instructions for building a wooden bead loom. Chapter six has detailed instructions on how to make a custom pattern and how to construct these moccasins. This is an excellent reference book for techniques and design ideas and was well worth the money.

This is one of the best books that I have in my collection! It has the best explanation on how to do loom work, that I have ever seen! It's so easy anyone can do it. The photos show you how and the instructions are very concise.

Beadwork Techniques of the Native Americans is a 'must' for any jewelry-making, beadwork or Native American crafts library. It explains tricks the author's learned from his extensive experience as a bead worker, includes techniques not to be found in competing beadwork titles, and offers step-by-step color photos tying the information together. The result is a fine survey packed with a range of beadwork styles, from stitching and loom work to applique.

If you want to get started with any kind of Indian beadwork, this is a great book. The detail level is high, very thorough and easy to understand, with lots of helpful hints that aren't usually included. The section on loom beading is particularly good. I was able to build a loom myself and immediately make belts, hatbands and so forth as presents for friends. Also used the book to lazy stitch some applique blanket strips and shoulder and arm bands for a shirt. The book also has what looks like a great section on moccasins that I am about to try out. All in all the best "how to do it" book I've seen. I'd get a different book for heavy detail on particular tribal designs.

I've bought 6 beading books and was very disappointed in them. Most had only a few patterns and confusing directions. Not so, with "Beadwork Techniques". There are sections on recommended needles and threads, looms, and the different types of beadwork including applique, peyote, and lazy susan. The book also includes graph paper for peyote and loom designs, which is unavailable from most sources. The book gave me a ton of ideas and some great information for my looming projects. Get this book and leave the others collecting dust on the shelves.

it tells you some history about beads. what supplies to use. it teaches you how to make a loom and

how to loom beads. it has a whole bunch of pictures to look at that make you think "i want to do that". it shows u how to applique, peyote stitch, lazy stitch and how to make moccasins. then how to bead them. but i wished it had how they make the earring.

Another book that I kept checking out the library until I decided it would be easier to buy my own copy than pay overdue fines when I forgot to return it. Everything you need to know about Native American beading, with clear directions and photos. It also gives me ideas that I can adapt to other beadwork.

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