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Dalene Kelly : French-Beaded Flowers before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised French-Beaded Flowers:

26 of 28 people found the following review helpful. A book made for beginners and also advanced flower beaders By Dylan Weston I have many books on beaded flowers in many languages and have to say that one can follow patterns that are clear in diagram as well as those clear in verbiage. Dalene's book is unpretentious and accessible to any enthusiast or beginner. The method is clearly shown and applies to all flowers alike with some minor variations. Her photos are beautiful and one can clearly see what to aim for when making the flower. I don't expect to be shown or told how to display the flowers nor what beads to use, nor where to buy them as these issues are for the beader to experiment with. I have been beading for about a year and love it. I have used a Russian and a French book extensively and never had difficulty finding and trying various types of beads as well as sizes--thus that Dalene leaves

this as a choice to the beader is to permit creative license and experiment by the beader. I personally prefer the Russian, or Danish method as many call it, but that doesn't mean that I never make use of the French method and Dalene's book certainly gives the beader many opportunities and flowers to try and to strive for in regards to her perfect bending and tight wiring method. I am delighted that one more source of beaded flowers has been made available to us, especially as many of the "Bibles" of the likes of Nathanson and others of 30 years ago, are now out of print. I would recommend this book for it's patterns, for it's photos of finished items, and also simply as a source of ideas for one's own work or patterns. I commend Dalene for committing to publishing when she sells her patterns on line for a reasonable price and also her booklets of patterns and I feel sure that she made more money for herself that way than this--but we her audience of beaders will be forever grateful for her most generous act--that of sharing her own intellectual property and for under \$20!! The book is also very pleasing to the eye and worth looking at to see how varied beaded flowers can be--look at the picture for e.g. of the bleeding heart flower.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. great bookBy Anita G.Love this book. HAS different pattern than some of the other books I have seen. Be a good book for those you love flowers and beading7 of 13 people found the following review helpful. All my Beads just hit the wallBy Johnny J. PowellOMG! This could not be harder to follow if it were written in a different language! Even the first basic leaf is not logical with three different wires being called for but only one in the directions..... The pictures are nice, some beautiful flowers, great ideas on what to do with the things once you get them done.... but I'm going back to the internet to get the directions... those are written step by step and easy to understand... I'll get those basics and maybe come back to this for ideas how to put together flowers from those petals....

Author Dalene Kelly expertly guides readers through this beautifully illustrated guide to the timeless art of French-beading--a craft that dates its origins back several hundred years and that now is making a huge resurgence. Includes step-by-step instructions for making 38 different flowers, such as snapdragons, coral beans, pansies, irises, tiger lilies, gardenias, and more. Crafters will quickly learn the techniques for stringing beads and fashioning them into floral works of art and then create these four stunning projects--a cymbidium corsage, rose hair barrette, Shasta daisy napkin ring, and rose bud bridal veil. Crafters and beaders alike will find this book to be innovative and inspiring.

From Library JournalFrench beading as a craft dates back to 16th-century European peasants, who made flowers and wreaths from discarded beads. The technique involves stringing seed beads on wires and bending them into three-dimensional shapes. French-beaded flowers are surprisingly realistic and virtually indestructible. These step-by-step projects are for almost 40 individual flowers with leaves that can be placed in vases, worn on hats, or made into corsages. The finished products are quite lovely and unlike any other artificial flowers. This is an excellent choice for public library craft collections. Copyright 2002 Cahners Business Information, Inc.About the AuthorKelly has been actively French beading for more than 15 years and teaches the technique to others at her French-beaded Flower business in Ohio.