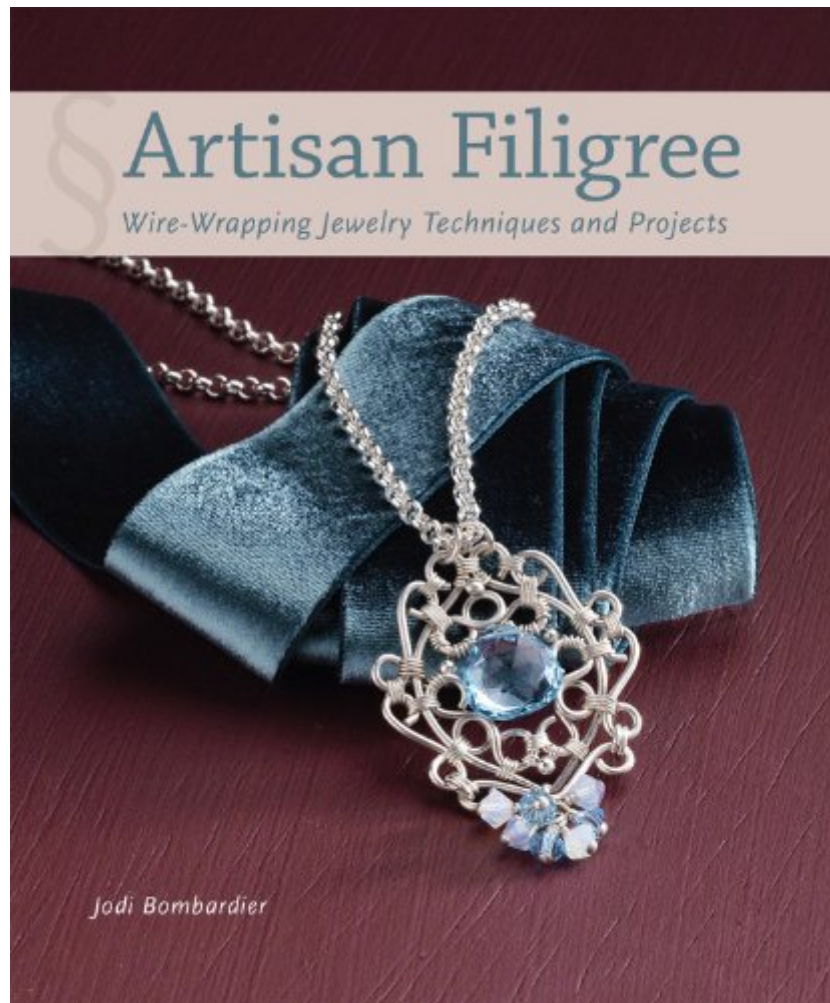


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# Artisan Filigree: Wire-Wrapping Jewelry Techniques And Projects



## Synopsis

Enjoy a collection of 20+ beautiful wire projects! Inspired by the ironwork so prevalent in her native Tucson, Jodi Bombardier fashions her signature heavygauge wire frames into sinuous shapes, cold-joining them with fine wire to form open, lacy filigree patterns. Learn Jodi's techniques, including the correct ways to use tools, hold wire, and create shaped wire frames consistently and precisely. Create airy pieces that are still strong and stable enough to withstand daily wear. Build confidence in your wirework skills as projects increase in complexity. In addition to providing project instructions, Jodi demonstrates how her scrolled designs can be manipulated, joined, or rearranged to create endless variations limited only by the imagination.

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I thought the Kindle edition of this book would've been great but all the material lists and the tool lists had the first characters cut off. That made it difficult to know how many or what length of a material you need for the project. What happened to the editor on this book? Did anyone even look at it before it was put up for sale? It's too bad. Nice book otherwise. I guess I will have to buy the paperback and see if it has the information I need for the projects. This is the first time I've run into

this issue. I love having books on my Kindle otherwise.

Artisan Filigree is a must have for jewelry makers and designers. The projects are all beautiful, but the many detailed techniques can be applied to other designs and with other jewelry techniques for original and mixed media pieces. First there is a thorough review of tools, wire and even basic chemicals. The properties of various shapes, gauges and types of wire are reviewed in a clear manner. What tools will and will not do is easily explained...even the effect of how close or far apart the tool and wire hands are held and what effect this has on the wire and the final shape. Then all of the basic loops, frames and filigree shapes and how to make them are reviewed with comprehensive drawings and pictures. An experienced wrapper could go a long way on this information alone. I had several creative thoughts while reading this section. It really is clear, comprehensive, widely applicable and amazing. Many of the complex filigree shapes are composed of simple shapes that are multiplied and combined. With the information provided in terms of shapes from the simplest loop to the most complex framed shapes, the possibilities and combinations are endless. Then there are the projects. Beautiful and the author makes several distinct styles fall into the category of filigree. There is something here for almost everybody. The styles range from the mannered pieces that filigree suggests to more organic shapes and styles for appeal to a wide range of tastes. Projects are grouped into Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced and apply the skills learned in the technique section in ascending order of difficulty. Materials lists are clear and instruction is comprehensive and comprehensible. A great book with a wide range of techniques, projects and applications designed for both jewelers who want techniques to add to their design repertoire and to those who want to make the projects as presented. Recommended to a wide range of jewelry makers.

I was very excited to find this book and I was very eager to learn how to make the items within. However, once I bought the book and began reading it, I noticed that the pages containing the instructions have been cut off along the left side so that the necessary information for completing the projects is missing. This is a wonderful book and I would give it a 5 star rating without hesitation if these issues could be dealt with.

I received the book yesterday after it being on pre-order since May of this year. I read it when I got home. The instructions are thorough and easily understood. The book is also very well organized and written. The photographs of the jewelry are stunning. I recommend this book for the beginner

wire sculptor to the advanced. Bravo! It was worth the wait.

I got this book a few days ago and was really excited.. This book has some of the BEST instructions with photos that I have ever seen. Someone without any experience who had square wire a few tools could complete a project easily.. The tutorial part is that good. I am returning the book only because it didn't have anything in it to expand my knowledge. Like the author, I used the fabulous iron work found in New Orleans and throughout the South, to make my pieces.. Wonderful book and I highly recommend for a beginner wire artist or beginners learning how to make pieces come together!UPDATE:I purchased the print edition of the book and the layout is beautiful; for those who got the Kindle edition return or check for an update. I love Filigree and get most of my ideas from photos of iron railings etc.. I had never used square wire before to do Filigree work so that was new for me. I'm still happy with my purchase there are designs and design ideas from novice to advanced and Jodi's techniques helped me find easier /faster ways of putting my designs together .. I will still solder some of my Filigree but love the wrapped as well.

I can't wait to get started. I got "Silver Threads" because I love filigree but I'm a little intimidated by the soldering. I'm an experienced wire wrapper though so this is perfect! It has very precise instructions on how to make each element (which can be challenging), And every project is drop dead gorgeous. Even cooler, I think once I have a few of these projects under my belt I'll be able to incorporate some of the techniques into my own style.

This book is full of wonderful projects that will appeal to the beginner and the advanced wire wrappers. The projects are broken down into steps that are easy to understand and to make. By approaching the projects this way the reader is able to see how the pieces go together to create different bracelets, necklaces, pendants, and earrings. Learning the relationships allows the artist to design their own jewelry easily. I recommend this book to everyone interested in wire jewelry!

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