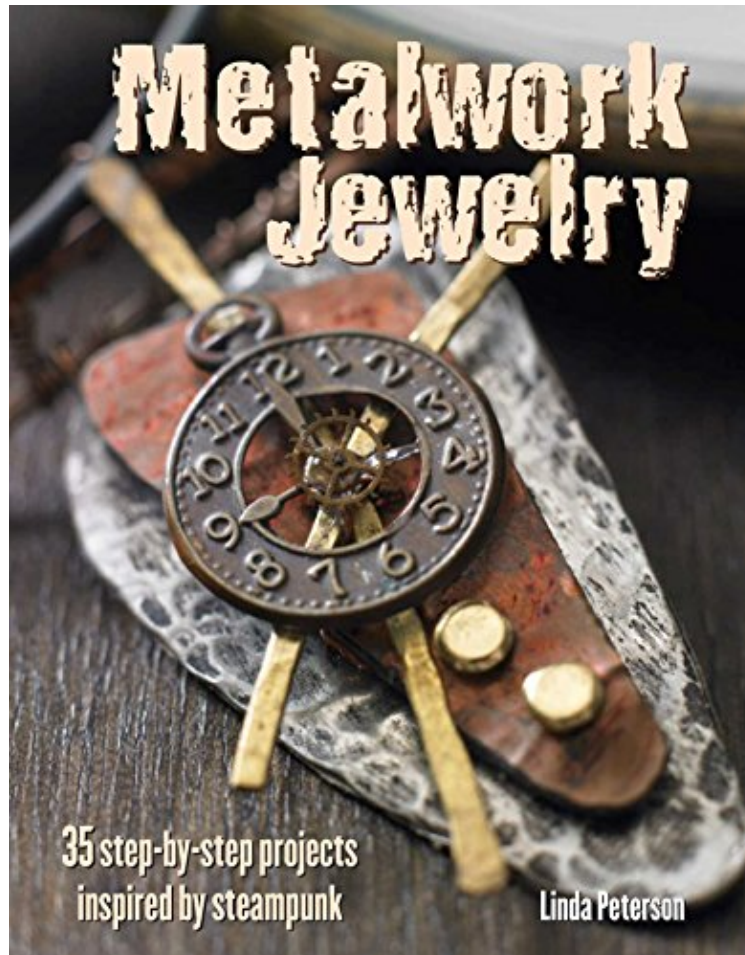


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Good purchase. Nice book.By Lori BryanI was hesitant to purchase this book after reading all of the reviews. Some of them said that the projects were amateurish and poorly put together with inferior materials that would not hold up to wear. I am glad I ignored those people and bought the book anyway.I admit that personally, I would not use all of the materials used in this book. There are pieces that are primarily held together with double sided tape or glue and use materials such as cardstock and metal sheets that are basically as thin as foil. These are not my materials of preference. However, if you are so inclined, you can use ideas from these

particular projects to achieve a similar look with heavier duty materials. The book also does use some techniques that I would consider advanced. Sawing your own shapes in metal, soldering, and steps like etching metal are NOT basic stringing or jewelry skills. These skills need practice and deserve respect in their own right. Ultimately, the book has a diverse range of techniques ranging from super easy to more advanced - so really something for everyone. Each project could be changed to use either less or more advanced techniques depending on what skills you are comfortable with. The instructions could probably use a little beefing up, so if you don't know anything about jewelry making, you may not want to purchase. But the book has lots of nice looking projects that can be used as is or to inspire other designs of your own. I like it very much and think it is a good addition to my jewelry library. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Inspiring! By MariaWell, I haven't actually made any of the projects, but that's only because I haven't had time. However, let me say this: The projects look amazing! I'm dying to get started. The photography is gorgeous and the instructions are easy to follow. This book doesn't disappoint. Very creative designs. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Great for KIDS SUMMER CAMP By The Wizard MISLEADING, BOGUS DESCRIPTION! BORING, REPETITIVE, AMATURISH. Nothing "STUNNING," NO ADVANCED TECHNIQUES, a USELESS INSULT to Steampunk artists. SAVE YOUR MONEY

Discover how to create easy pieces using common materials found in your home and then move on to more advanced techniques with brass, copper, and silver. These designs are inspired by the steampunk movement, a style that combines technology and romance in essence, punk with a Victoriana feel. Think vintage watch parts, capturing the theme of time travel, combined with brass, copper, fabric scraps, and antique paper, for unusual jewelry that is elegant yet quirky. Each project has clear step-by-step photography to guide you, and a full techniques section explains all you need to know about working with metal, from hammering to metal texturing and finishing techniques, such as polishing and adding a patina to create an aged effect.

About the Author Linda Peterson is an award-winning arts and crafts designer, as well as a teacher and TV personality. She creates unique jewelry designs using wire and beads. She has written several books, including *How To Make Polymer Clay Beads* and *Beading in No Time* (both CICO). You can visit her blog at lindapetersondesigns.blogspot.com. Linda's designs have appeared in numerous magazines and advertising campaigns. The author is based in the Ozark Mountains of Missouri.