



Knitting Daily and Beading Daily Announce Top Five Free Patterns for August

Loveland, Colo., September 6, 2007: Knitting Daily and Beading Daily released today their monthly popularity index of the top five most-downloaded patterns on their websites for August 2007. Knitting Daily and Beading Daily are Interweave Press's new online communities for knitting and beading enthusiasts, offering hundreds of free patterns and projects in their exclusive design libraries.

The Top 5 Free Beading Daily Projects for the month of August, in order of popularity, are:

1. **Harlequin Bracelet** — designed by Carol Huber Cypher, this exclusive BeadingDaily.com excerpt from the new book *Mastering Beadwork*, is a seed-bead bracelet using the African helix-, ladder-, and peyote-stitch techniques.
2. **Tide Pool** — designed by Marcella Austenfeld, this wire jewelry project is a single strand bracelet featuring keishi pearls that link wired crystals, crystal dangles on chain, strung glass rondelles, and silver spacers.
3. **Filigree Drops Earrings** — designed by Jamie Hogsett, these elegant earrings are an exclusive BeadingDaily.com excerpt from the new book *Create Jewelry: Crystals*, using a custom crystal mix called Aquadesiac
4. **Champagne Necklace** — designed by Jamie Hogsett, this exclusive BeadingDaily.com excerpt from the new book *Create Jewelry: Pearls* is a bib-style necklace with six tiers of subtly colored pearls, wrapped with wire to sparkling ribbon.
5. **Red Current Lariat** — designed by Anne Merrow, this beautiful lariat, created with tubular herringbone stitch, features numerous wirewrapped dangles at the ends. This project was part of the July 2007 Beading Daily Challenge.

The Top 5 Free Knitting Daily Patterns for the month of August, in order of popularity, are:

1. **Knitted Cuddlies** — designed by Louisa Harding for *Natural Knits for Babies and Moms* in Green Mountain Spinnery Cotton Comfort (cat), Blue Sky Alpacas Organic Cotton (rabbit), and Vreseis Fox Fibre Chenille (teddy bear), this exclusive KnittingDaily.com book excerpt offers one of the easiest patterns ever written for a knitted toy animal.
2. **Corset Pullover** — designed by Robin Melanson in Filatura di Crosa Elena (100% mercerized Mako Egyptian cotton), this feminine top combines lace, stockinette stitch, and twisted ribbing. The bodice is shaped with short rows and fitted with cinch straps, just like the corsets that Robin's grandmother wore.
3. **Ambrosia Socks** — designed by Ann Budd in Knit One, Crochet Too Ambrosia (70% baby alpaca, 20% silk, 10% cashmere), this twisted-stitch pattern called "Butterfly Rib" turns out like little faux cables.
4. **Bella Blouse** — designed by Norah Gaughan in Berroco Cotton Twist (70% mercerized cotton, 30% rayon), this flared top with short cap sleeves uses a trailing-bud pattern framed by faggot stitches as the lace border
5. **Summer Wheat Tank** — designed by Lisa Shroyer in Madil Eden yarn (100% bamboo), this is an unusual version of a wrapped top, with a bobble-studded lace pattern for a separate panel that ties over a stockinette-stitch tank.

Hundreds of thousands of knitters and beaders across the globe are browsing the Knitting Daily and Beading Daily pattern libraries archives or using the search tool to find patterns by publication date, name of pattern, designer, or skill level (beginner, easy, intermediate, or experienced). New patterns are added to the websites each week.

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