



Dancing Shoes

Materials

Coins with connector loops
Strappy sandals
28-gauge wire

Notions

Wire cutters
Flat-nose pliers

Tip

Don't have looped coins? Make your own by flattening a round of copper or other base metal, drilling a hole at the top, and creating a wire-wrapped loop through the hole.



Step 1: Cut a length of wire three times as long as the area you'll be covering with coins. The shoe shown required about 2'.

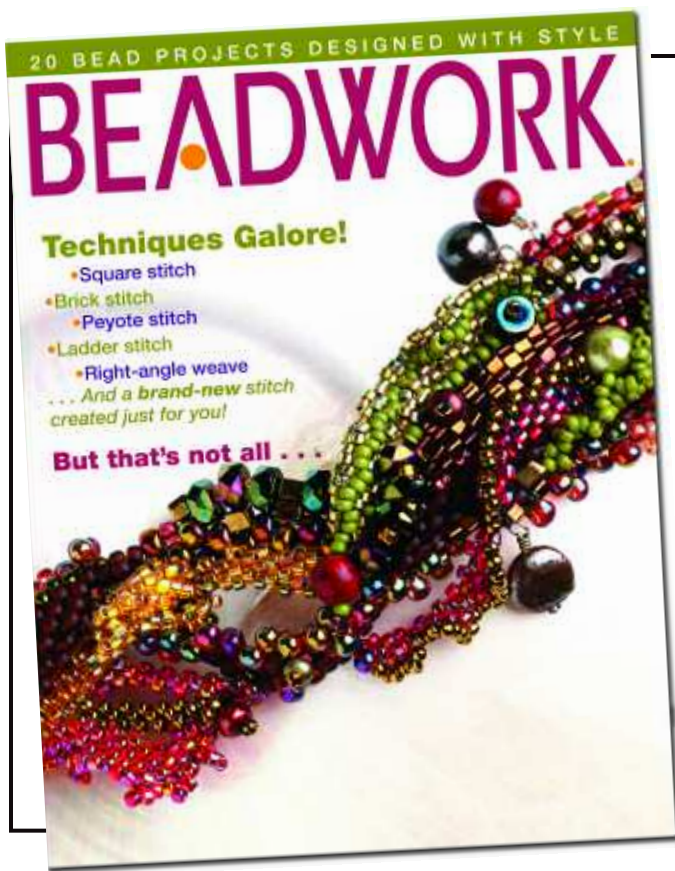
Step 2: Secure the wire to a strap on the sandal by twisting one end tightly to a strap that won't rub on the foot. Bend the twist away from the foot area. Trim the loose tail wire.

Step 3: String a coin (or coins, depending on how wide your straps are) and pass over and under the next strap (Figure 1). Pull the wire up and repeat this step until you have added all the coins you desire. *Note:* The number of coins used for this project depends on what kind of sandals you use as well as how many coins you want to add.

Step 4: Twist the wire onto the last strap to secure it. Trim the end and bend the twist away from the foot area. ●

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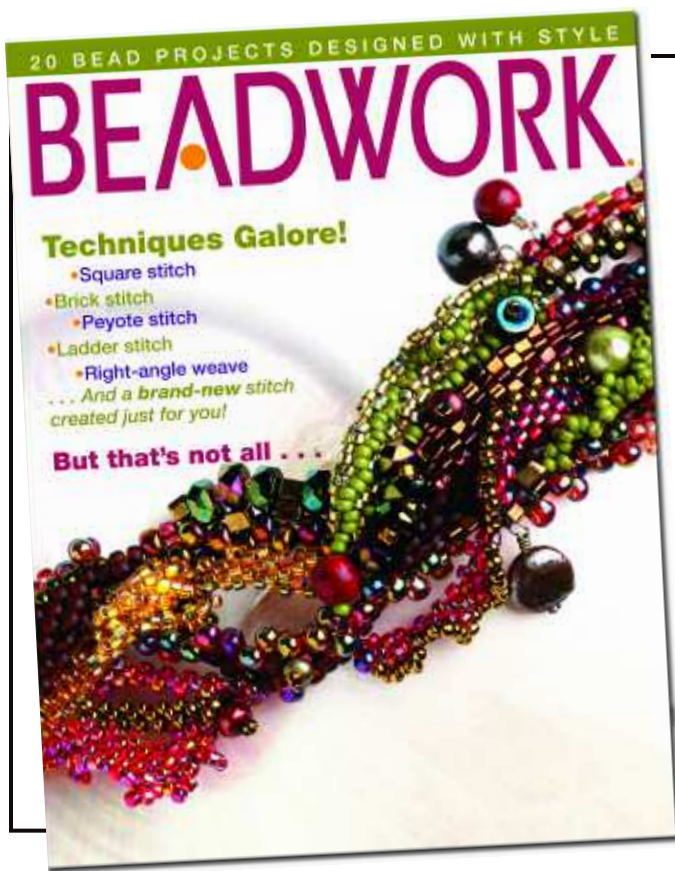
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