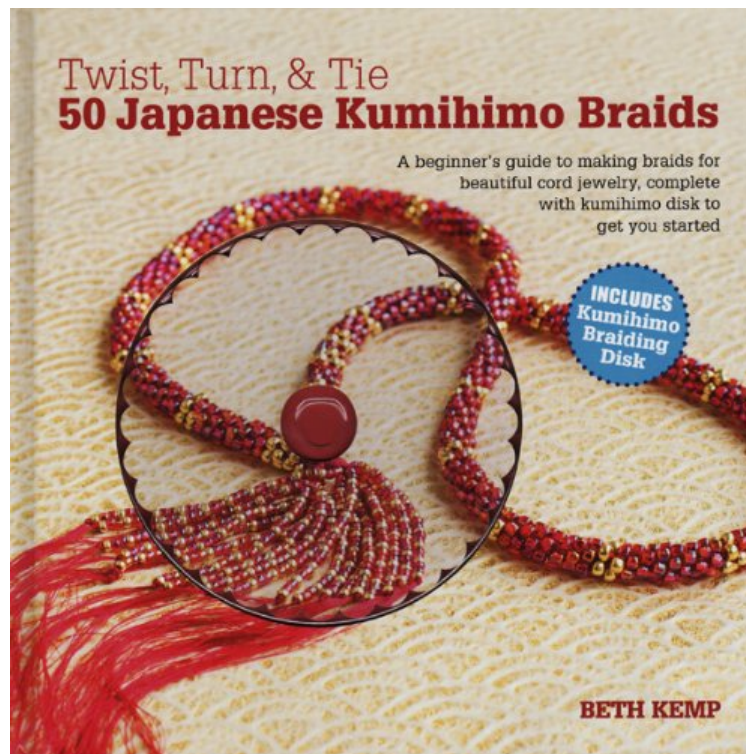


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The traditional Japanese art of cord braiding known as kumihimo has been around for centuries. The technique, which uses a loom and several strands of silk thread, was once used to create the strong, slender cords that reinforced samurai

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Kemp's thorough guide gives solid information and background about this traditional craft, yet the designs are contemporary and accessible. Jewelry makers will be drawn to this collection of pretty projects. *Library Journal* About the Author After a decade in the prestige jewelry industry, Beth Kemp's love of textiles and beading led her to the art of kumihimo. Today, she shares her knowledge of the art form through articles, books, classes, and her online store, *Braid and Bead Studio*.