## **Easy Heart-Studded Leather Cuff**

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'Tis the season to be heart-shaped.

Valentine's Day is less than two weeks away, and it's brimming with crafty and culinary potential. I've joined 9 other fantastic Canadian Bloggeresses to create a collection of ten Valentine's projects worth checking out. At the end of this post, there will be links to all of the other girls' projects. You'll want to take a look, I promise.

I have been dabbling in the art of jewelry-making as of late, which has been a fun (and eye-opening) adventure. *Guys, don't tell anyone, but making your own jewelry is SO much cheaper than buying it.* 

When I saw these heart-shaped charms, I immediately knew that I had to use them.

And I knew how.



Both the silver heart beads and the cuff (which comes pre-punched with little holes) are from Consumer Crafts. At first I worried that the cuff wouldn't fit on my wrist – sometimes bracelets are like that for me, sigh - but this easily snapped on.



Here is where I show my fancy MacGyver skills in the craft room. I had some fishing line kicking around from another project. It was perfect for threading the beads onto the cuff.

Of course, feel free to use jewelry wire instead. But fishing line worked just fine for this project.

Start by threading your line through the cuffs and tying them together tightly. I cut myself about 18 inches of line to work with.



Thread a bead onto the heart and then slip the line back into the hole on the cuff.



On the inside of the cuff, move over two holes, thread the line, and slip another bead into place. It's basically like that lacing practice that we all did as children. It becomes rhythmic after the first two hearts. Keep your line tight without stretching the line, and continue on down the cuff until you've finished. Tie off the line (the same way it was done at the beginning of the bracelet) and ta-daaaahhhh! You've finished. You've made yourself a ridiculously easy and cute heart-studded cuff.



It's about five minutes of work, and it's be a lovely little something to gift to a friend.

Or to keep for yourself. You're your own best Valentine, I say.



The inspiration continues! A gaggle of lovely Canadian lasses have created 9 other amazing tutorials to help you get your Valentine on this year.

Please visit their spaces and admire their creative prowesses!



From left to right, they are:

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Cream Cheese and Mint Heart-shaped Lollipops by Craftberry Bush My Easy Valentines Love Garland Romantic Lace Candle Holders by The DIY Dreamer Valentine's Day Treat Bags with Iron-on Transfer Printables by Satori Design For Living DIY Valentine Goodie Bags by The Sweet Escape Chalkboard Instagram Photo Canvas by Fynes Designs Easy DIY Heart-studded Leather Cuff by Suburble DIY Valentine's Tea Bag Set by Northstory I Like You A "Hole" Lot Doughnut Hole Valentine by Clean and Scentsible Valentine's Treat Tubes by Echoes of Laughter

Enjoy looking around! It's a huge heap of talent right here!

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