

Red White Heart Bead

Date

2026

Primary Maker

Wendy Red Star

Medium

Glass

Description

From the Trade Bead Market Ledger: Red White Hearts—known as “Cornaline d’Aleppo”—were high-visibility beads produced from the 15th through 20th centuries. Their red exterior and white core produced a rich visual contrast that made them popular across the American West, Great Lakes, and West Africa. They were widely recognized as premium plains-adornment stock and appear in numerous historic portraits and artifacts.

Dimensions

Overall: 2 1/4 × 4 1/4 × 4 1/4 in. (5.7 × 10.8 × 10.8 cm)