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NEW TITLES



Abstract Painting

- Includes 20 beautiful abstract works of art in acrylic and mixed media explained step by step
- Learn about exciting new techniques and materials to use
- Links to useful video clips for some of the projects.
 9781782219576 Petra Thölken
 Paperback 280 x 216mm 128 pages Search Press

Buttercream Petals

- Neetha is a popular, award-winning cake decorator and tutor
- Features palette-knife painting a new and exciting technique for applying buttercream – as well as more traditional piping methods
- Includes a huge range of flowers and cake types in Neetha's vibrant and colourful style.

9781782218241 • Neetha Syam Paperback • 280 x 216mm • 128 pages • Search Press





Frisian Whitework

- New book by award-winning embroiderer Yvette Stanton
- Discover the elegance and history of Frisian whitework
- Featuring clear step-by-step instructions and detailed diagrams
- Both left- and right-handed instructions are included.

9781800920248 • Yvette Stanton
Paperback + 3 pattern sheets • 275 x 195mm • 168 pages • Search Press

Making Pitch Pots

- Contains everything you need to make fabulous ceramic pinch pots, whether you are a beginner or a more experienced maker
- Includes an exciting range of projects from functional ceramics to purely decorative and sculptural creations
- A gallery of makers showcase their stunning works.

9781782219965 • Jacqui Atkin Paperback • 246 x 190mm • 176 pages • Search Press





Kawaii: How to Draw More Cute Stuff from Around the World

- Fifth book in the best-selling Kawaii series!
- Clear and easy-to-follow step-by-step diagrams great for visual learners, making the instructions simple to follow
- Over 50 different landmarks, creatures, customs, costumes, food and transport to draw.

9781782219552 • Angela Nguyen Paperback • 230 x 180mm • 128 pages • Search Press

Hand Embroidery

- Includes a wide range of techniques that will appeal to stitchers of all ages and abilities
- As well as the materials, methods and stitches used, each chapter includes ideas for taking your stitching further, and 26 hands-on projects for you to try
- This is a definitive guide to surface stitching!

9781782218388 • Various Paperback • 260 x 204mm • 272 pages • Search Press





Sew Eco-Friendly

- Eco-friendly crafting is a hot trend: sew 25 planet-saving projects to help reduce waste
- Simple and practical projects that everyone can achieve to help the environment
- Packed with hints and tips, along with simple recipes for putting your new projects into action!

9781782219262 • Debbie Shore Paperback • 260 x 204mm • 96 pages • Search Press

Punch Needle Friends

- Create an impressive-looking project in just a few hours
- Suitable for both total beginners and more experienced needlecrafters
- Includes reuseable, iron-on templates for each project.
 9781782219545 Faustine Duwicquet & Cathy Duwicquet
 Paperback 246 x 190mm 128 pages Search Press





How to Draw: Cute Kawaii

- Over 100 step-by-step projects
- A fantastic selection of themes to choose from, including animals, food, children and everyday objects
- Uses material from the best-selling How to Draw series.

9781782219460 • Yishan Li Paperback • 292 x 216mm • 128 pages • Search Press

The Acrylic Flower Painter's A to Z

- Instructions for painting 40 of the most popular and beautiful floral subjects in acrylic
- Lots of useful techniques explained clearly and demonstrated
- Includes detailed information about each flower and its unique features.

9781782219866 • Lexi Sundell
Paperback • 280 x 215mm • 128 pages • Search Press





DIY Watercolor Christmas

- Includes a wealth of inspiration and techniques for all sorts of watercolour projects this Christmas!
- Covers the materials and equipment you need for watercolour painting
- 12 creative projects, with easy-to-follow step-by-step tutorials.
 9781446308448 Ingrid Sanchez
 Paperback 255 x 215mm 128 pages David & Charles

Zero Waste: Christmas

- New title in the Zero Waste series!
- This collection of 24 projects is all about using the things around you to bring festive cheer to your home
- Choose from projects and tutorials for a sustainable Christmas including sewing, crochet, upcycling and reuse ideas.

9781446308721 • Emma Friedlander-Collins & Christine Leech Paperback • 203 x 203mm • 96 pages • David & Charles



ECO-FRIENDLY

crafting ideas you'll love!

It's never been more important to be mindful of what we consume. Across the globe, we send tonnes of clothing to landfills each year. Over the past few years we've seen a global trend for leading a 'green' life and the importance of sustainability, so, if you want to play your part in helping the planet, we have some great suggestions of books on how to be more eco-friendly, minimize waste and lead a more sustainable lifestyle.



Sew Eco-Friendly

Popular author Debbie Shore is back with a new book! This time to help you make 25 small but meaningful life swaps to help reduce waste and live more sustainably 9781782219262 • RRP £10.99



Making Soap

This is a beginner-friendly guide to making 18 lovely soaps using only natural ingredients that are kind to the environment. From olive oil to juniper, there are lots of gorgeous fragrances and colours to satisfy everyone 9781782216230 • RRP £8.99

Modern Mending

Inspired by the slow fashion movement that's taking the sewing world by storm, Erin Lewis-Fitzgerald has created a comprehensive guide to repairing your own clothes in a way that combines creativity and sustainability.

9781782219606 • RRP £14.99



52 Nature Craft Projects

Using materials foraged sustainably from the great outdoors, Barbora Kurcova shows you how to create beautiful, visually inspiring art, gifts, and home accents and accessories.

9781782219095 • RRP £12.99





Macramé for the Modern Home

Create 16 beautiful macramé projects to hang on your wall, decorate your home and transform your outdoor space all made using simple macramé knots, natural dyes and 100 per cent recycled materials.

9781782218364 • RRP £12.99



The Eco-Christmas Craft Book

Filled with 30 projects to create your own stylish ecofriendly Christmas, all you need to do is save up some recyclable or foraged items such as newspaper, corks, twigs and pine cones. 9781782219729 • RRP £12.99



Debbie Shore, best-selling author and host of the Half Yard Sewing Club is back with a brand new book, Sew Eco-Friendly, this time with 25 re-useable projects to sew, helping us all to reduce waste and live more sustainably! We caught up with Debbie to find out a bit more about the book, her best eco-friendly tips and her plans for the rest of the year.

How are you Debbie and how are you coping?

I'm very well thank you, keeping busy!

Congratulations on the release of your new book, Sew Eco-Friendly! Can you tell us a bit about the book and what inspired you to write it?

I think we'd all like to try and help the planet but many of us don't know where to start, so I've put together some ideas to hopefully inspire. If we start with looking at single use items like carrier bags and wipes and replace them with washable, re-useable items, a small effort really could make a difference!





To make the projects inside the book sustainable, what range of materials did you use?

Bamboo makes an incredibly soft fabric, I've used towelling for my pads and wipes, and it is one of the most sustainable plants as it is a grass, it can re-grow after being cut down without re-planting. Recycled plastic bottles can be made into fabrics such as denim, the thread I used is also made from recycled

bottles. Linen, hessian and cork are also good fabric to work with. But if you can re-purpose items of clothing into any of the projects that is good too!



How did you select the projects that you wanted to include the book and what are your favourite projects from the book?

I thought about the everyday things we throw away, baby wipes, tumble drier sheets, plastic bags, and what could be used to replace them. One of my favourite projects is the Hemp Tote Bag, I dyed it with natural dye from pear leaves and turmeric, it was fun to see what colour it would turn out to be!





Do you have any beginner-friendly tips and advice for sustainable sewing?

Make one item and you'll make a difference. Don't think you have to change your way of life completely, that could be a bit daunting! And do a bit of research, where does that fabric actually come from? What happens to it when you throw it away?



What are you currently working on at the moment?

I'm just finishing my next book which I'm cowriting with my daughter, who is passionate about upcycling. This one will be full of ideas as to what to do with old clothes, you'll never throw anything away again!

Do you have any exciting plans for the rest of the year?

My Half Yard Sewing Club is keeping me really busy, with two new projects every month, then there are two more books in the pipeline but I'll tell you about those later!

For more information about the Half Yard Sewing Club visit: www.halfyardsewingclub.com





Sew Eco-Friendly is available now from Search Press, RRP £10.99.

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