

## The Spoonflower Handbook A Diy To Designing Fabric Wallpaper Gift Wrap With 30 Projects

This how-to guide and personal memoir features 20 meditative sewing projects and inspiring stories that promote creativity, happiness, and fulfillment. When Sanae Ishida was diagnosed with a chronic illness and lost her corporate job, she felt like her whole life was falling apart. Inspired to succeed at just one thing, Ishida vowed to sew all of her daughter's clothes—and most of her own—for one full year. In *Sewing Happiness*, Ishida recounts her incredible journey, reflecting on how sewing helped her survive such a difficult time in her life. *Sewing Happiness* features twenty simple sewing projects (with variations) organized by season and tied together with a thread of memoir that tells the story of Ishida's unexpected transformation and how sewing brought her profound happiness. Each seasonal project—from Japanese-inspired home goods to children's and women's clothing—is specially designed to promote health, creativity, and relationships and to provide gentle inspiration to live your best life. Complete with photos and easy-to-follow steps, *Sewing Happiness* is at once a guide to the craft of sewing and a guide to enjoying life in all its beautiful imperfections.

World-renowned artist and textile designer Kaffe Fassett provides a window into his creative process, offering readers new patterns, new ideas, and new inspiration. With successes like *Bold Blooms* and *Dreaming in Color*, the latest book from Kaffe Fassett brings together all the best elements of his work and life. *Kaffe Fassett in the Studio* will offer an in-depth look at his work and where he finds inspiration, paying particular attention to his color work. He'll also showcase some of his greatest designs in the areas of needlework, patchwork, and knitting, as well as provide three to four new patterns in each of these areas. Lastly, Fassett will speak to his fabric design and painting processes. He remains an icon in the fashion and craft worlds. He partners with brands such as Coach and is regularly featured in the pages of *Vogue*. Fassett's brilliant use of color sets his work apart from other artists, and any collection of his work is a must have among fans and beyond. *Presenting* over one hundred projects for creative "upcycling"—using used and recycled products to create decorative items in the home, including leather belt doormats, bathroom towel picnic baskets, and a jar lid dining table.

Outstanding collection of nearly 200 crowd-pleasing mental magic feats requiring no special equipment. Author offers insider's tips and expert advice on techniques, presentation, diversions, patter, staging, more.

*The Complete Guide to Designing and Printing Fabric* is a comprehensive handbook covering everything there is to know about designing and printing fabric. The book walks readers through the entire fabric design process, from finding inspiration, through step-by-step tutorials on how to design a pattern (both digitally and by hand), looking at different printing methods (such as digital printing, screenprinting, monoprinting, stamping, stencilling, resist dyeing, painting and inkjet printing), to establishing and developing a fabric collection, and approaching a manufacturer. *The Complete Guide to Designing and Printing Fabric* is full of advice from established fabric designers with clear, easy to follow step-by-step tutorials. Textile design is a competitive industry and learning how to design fabric is something that both designers and crafters with an avid interest in fabrics are keen to learn more about. Companies such as Spoon Flower ([spoon.flower.com](http://spoon.flower.com)) have emerged,

Three leading dolls artists share doll-making techniques, as well as step-by-step instructions to creating beautiful dolls of your own. Patti Culea, Elinor Peace Bailey, and Barbara Willis are three of the leading doll artists and teachers in the country. They are also friends. Each of these artists has her own distinct approach to the design and development of a cloth figure. In this book, each artist's process will come alive through their choice of fabrics, sketches, simple patterns, and skill-building variations. The book is oriented toward beginning doll makers but offers unique variations and embellishments to please even more experienced doll designers. Two introductory chapters cover basic materials and techniques. Each artist's chapter includes step-by-step illustrations, instructions, and patterns to make a complete doll, plus variations that create completely new figures. Readers are treated to full color photography and a look inside of each artist's workspace. A gallery of additional creations by each artist, along with commentary on each work completes the collection. This is a must-have book for any aspiring or experienced doll maker.

Textile artist Anna Joyce's design process is intuitive, relaxed, and rooted in the belief that we should live with color and pattern every day. Inspired by vintage fabric, folk art, shapes in nature, and exciting new color combinations, Joyce's distinctive projects showcase the beauty of the unexpected and the mark of the artist's hand. In *Stamp Stencil Paint*, Joyce shares her signature hand-printing techniques and infectious enthusiasm for adding patterns to ready-made surfaces such as fabric, ceramics, paper, leather, furniture, walls, and more. Following beautiful step-by-step photography, crafters learn new, easy skills to stamp, stencil, and hand-paint wonderful projects for their homes, wardrobes, families, and friends.

If you've found this book then chances are you're a dog lover, you might have one furry pal, you might have twelve. But you definitely love dogs. This book is filled with illustrations of those perfect canine moments, the moments you want to hold onto and those that you wish you could get back. Smile, laugh and cry your way through the pages, this book is for you. Illustrated by Elspeth Rose, a lover of all things dog. Dedicated to Pilot, a greyhound who started Elspeth's love of art.

Contains an eclectic range of more than one hundred decidedly dazzling contemporary repeats, from geometric and figurative patterns to organic and botanical designs.

Designing fabric, wallpaper, and gift wrap used to be the stuff of dreams. Only a few select creatives got to do it, and it required formal training and significant financial investment. But times have changed, and today anyone with a computer, Internet connection, and idea can upload a file and order their own fabric or paper, printed affordably one yard or more at a time. At the forefront of this revolutionary DIY movement is Spoonflower, a North Carolina startup that produces designs for hundreds of thousands of users worldwide—24 hours a day/seven days a week to keep up with demand. With step-by-step tutorials and projects that span a wide spectrum of skills, *The Spoonflower Handbook* is written for both new and experienced users of this print-on-demand technology. Covering everything from equipment to software to working with photos, scans, repeats, vector files, and more, it is an essential guide to a booming new creative outlet.

With cameos on Fashion Week runways and in designer store windows, the starry-eyed Jess Brown rag doll has captured the hearts of many. In this book, Brown shares her sought-after doll pattern for the first time and shows how to sew, customize, and accessorize each doll for a true modern heirloom. More than a craft how-to book, *The Making of a Rag Doll* reveals the creative process behind these whimsical dolls, placing emphasis on quality sustainable materials and handwork made to last for generations. The book brims with gorgeous lifestyle photography, includes two patterns, and features instructions for nine accessories such as a little apron and cute-as-can-be knickers.

The key to perfect patchwork is getting all of the points to match up — which is no easy feat! Set yourself up for success with the rediscovered technique of English paper piecing. Using paper templates to guide your pattern, you can expertly fit your quilting shapes together before you even start sewing. *All Points Patchwork* takes you far beyond traditional hexagons and accommodates triangles, diamonds, octagons, and even curved shapes. Simple instructions for decorating clothing, bedding, and home decor open up astounding possibilities for quilters of all levels.

This authoritative guide outlines everything readers need to know to create gorgeous fabrics. There's nothing like it on the market! Collected within are step-by-step tutorials for designing patterns (both digitally and by hand), a comprehensive section on printing techniques—including digital printing, screen printing, stenciling, block printing, and resist dyeing—and even insider tips for developing a collection and bringing it to the marketplace. Beautifully illustrated with swatches of exquisite fabrics and hundreds of photos, and featuring interviews with established designers such as Skinny laMinx, Ink & Spindle, and Julia Rothman, *Mastering the Art of Fabric Printing and Design* is a key resource for anyone looking to learn the basics, expand their skill set, or find design inspiration.

Fresh ideas abound in this amazingly varied assortment of sewn and quilted items for gift giving or personal use. Get lots of choice and loads of value with 25 unique patterns for sewing Sew gifts such as a pencil case, knitting needle case, makeup bag, aprons, pin cushions, pillows, and more Discover handmade projects from a host of talented designers, including Adrienne Smitke, Heather Jones, and Pippa Eccles Armbrester

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Learn how to make your own clothes in simple steps. A compact and comprehensive dressmaking resource for anyone who wants to learn how to make clothes at home. Learn how to make a dress, trousers, tops, and jackets--18 garments in all--by following clear and simple step-by-step sequences. Everything you need to learn to sew a wardrobe of clothes is included, from information on tools and materials, to key sewing techniques, to garment projects complete with sewing patterns.

Our homes anticipate when we want to wake up. Our computers predict what music we want to buy. Our cars adapt to the way we drive. In today's world, even washing machines, rice cookers and toys have the capability of autonomous decision-making. As we grow accustomed to computing power embedded in our surroundings, it becomes clear that these 'smart environments', with a number of devices controlled by a coordinating system capable of 'ambient intelligence', will play an ever larger role in our lives. This handbook provides readers with comprehensive, up-to-date coverage in what is a key technological field. . Systematically dealing with each aspect of ambient intelligence and smart environments, the text covers everything, from visual information capture and human/computer interaction to multi-agent systems, network use of sensor data, and building more rationality into artificial systems. The book also details a wide range of applications, examines case studies of recent major projects from around the world, and analyzes both the likely impact of the technology on our lives, and its ethical implications. With a wide variety of separate disciplines all conducting research relevant to this field, this handbook encourages collaboration between disparate researchers by setting out the fundamental concepts from each area that are relevant to ambient intelligence and smart environments, providing a fertile soil in which ground-breaking new work can develop.

Hand Dyed is a modern introduction to indigo and fiber-reactive dye that every crafter should have. Exploring traditional techniques like shibori and using organic compounds, this comprehensive how-to guide offers everything you need know to create stylish, richly colored and patterned pieces. Classic techniques and natural materials make these projects beautiful and accessible, even for the beginner. Items such as an elegant robe, a duvet cover set, drum lampshades, and even a hammock will invite a new generation of design lovers and style mavens to fall in love with this traditional, magical, and surprisingly straightforward process. Anna Joyce is the perfect instructor to teach the skills needed to create more than 25 masterpieces for the home and wardrobe that readers will want to wear, live with, and most importantly, make by hand.

Sewing never goes out of style, and today it is more popular than ever! Sew Retro offers twenty-five stylish, vintage-inspired sewing projects—beautiful bags, essential skirts, unique pillows, and more—that are a pleasure to sew, thanks to easy instructions, helpful diagrams, and a pocket of ten full-size patterns. This fun, inspirational book also uncovers sewing's colorful history, from the introduction of the sewing machine to the modern DIY movement, and features interviews with today's hottest fabric and pattern designers, including Amy Butler, Betz White, Barbara Brackman, Emma Brennan, Judie Rothermel, and Kathy Miller of Michael Miller Fabrics. Filled with gorgeous project photography and quirky vintage illustrations that bring the 1920s, 1940s, 1950s, and beyond to life, Sew Retro celebrates sewing yesterday and today. Learn more about Sew Retro and enjoy bonus projects and tutorials at [www.sewretrothebook.com](http://www.sewretrothebook.com)! Presents step-by-step instructions for creating surface designs on fabric using textile paints and printing ink, and includes tips on such techniques as stamping, silkscreen, image transfer, marbling, and Japanese shibori.

This latest title in the 'Car Design Yearbook' series features all the new cars launched worldwide from April 2007 to March 2008. Also included are profiles of the industry's leading designers, a full technical glossary and a list of all the motor shows in the year ahead.

This unique collection begins with single fat quarter patterns for everyday items, such as pincushions and purses, that can be completed in less than a day. You can then move on to more complex projects requiring a small handful of fat quarters, and if you are feeling ambitious, why not savour the stunning projects that use up to ten fat quarters? They will bust your much-loved fabric stash and give you family heirlooms to treasure, including beautiful quilts, striking pillows and a delightful reversible table runner that will take you from winter through to summer.

It's drinks, it's chickens: It's the cocktail book you didn't know you needed! To add some extra happy to your happy hour , invite a chicken and pour yourself a drink. Author Kate Richards serves up cocktails made for Instagram with the spoils of

her Southern California garden, chicken friends by her side. Enjoy any (or all) of the 60+ deliciously drinkable garden-to-glass beverages, such as: Lilac Apricot Rum Sour Meyer Lemon + Rosemary Old Fashioned Rhubarb Rose Cobbler Blackberry Sage Spritz Cantaloupe Mint Rum Punch Cocktails are arranged seasonally, and are 100% accessible for those of us without perpetually sunny backyard gardens at our disposal. Drinking with Chickens will quickly become a boozy favorite, perfect for gifting or for hoarding all for yourself. You don't need chickens to enjoy these drinks or the colorful photos, but be careful, because you may even find yourself aspiring to be, as Kate is, a home chixologist overrun by gorgeous, loud, early-rising egg-laying ladies, and in need of a very strong drink.

Delve into the world of quilts, fabrics, and bowl making! Take quilt blocks and bring them into the three dimensional space as tasteful, modern bowls. Kirsten Fisher shares her unique artistic vision and instructions on how you can take any piece of fabric and reinvent it using the design of your choice. Perfect to forever display a favorite fabric or quilt block, or provide a thoughtful gift to loved ones.

“An interesting reported memoir about the power of honesty—not surprisingly, a surprisingly honest account.” —Gretchen Rubin, bestselling author of *The Happiness Project* “Some books change how you think. Some change how you act. Would I Lie to You? does both.” —KJ Dell’Antonia, editor New York Times Motherlode blog, and author of *How to Be a Happier Parent* Inspired by her popular New York Times article, “How Honesty Could Make You Happier,” award-winning journalist Judi Ketteler takes a deep dive into the hard truths about honesty, from the personal to the political . . . We’re incensed by politicians who lie and corporations that cheat, but when it comes to our own honesty choices, we often barely notice. So, what happens when we do notice? Judi Ketteler thought of herself as an honest person. And yet, she knew it wasn’t the whole story . . . How often was Judi engaging in the same dishonest behavior she was condemning in others? To answer that question, she started her “Honesty Journal,” and set out to confront her perennial fear of speaking the truth in a range of situations—including with friends, her kids, and even inside her complicated marriage. The result is a timely consideration of the joys and pains of truth in a world that seems committed to lying. “Great for generating discussion on the subject of authenticity and thinking through tough questions.” —Library Journal “Would I Lie to You? is filled with so many fresh insights and proactive solutions that it could pass for a masterclass on honesty.” —Camille Pagán, bestselling author of *I’m Fine and Neither Are You* “Candor, humor, and wry guidance for developing positive, forthright relationships with ourselves and others.” —Foreword Magazine

Did you ever think you could have fun reading a book about learning how to sew? Diana Hansen's *Sewing for Beginners* is not only a book of step-by-step explanations and pictures teaching you how to repair and care for your clothes without a sewing machine, but you'll also find it full of "mommishness," witty candor, and down-home practicality. Who says learning has to be dull? *The Spoonflower Handbook A DIY Guide to Designing Fabric, Wallpaper & Gift Wrap with 30+ Projects* Abrams

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A comprehensive, step-by-step resource for fabric design and printing—including tips from top designers. If you’ve ever dreamed of showing your designs on fabric, textile aficionado Kim Kight, of popular blog True Up, is here to teach you how. Comprehensive and refreshingly straightforward, this impressive volume features two main parts. First, the Design and Color section explains the basics with step-by-step tutorials on creating repeating patterns both by hand and on the computer. Next, the Printing section guides you through transferring those designs on fabric—whether it's block printing, screen printing, digital printing or licensing to a fabric company—and how to determine the best method for you. Includes extensive photos and illustrations

*Craft Your Own Charming Characters with Impeccable Style* Designed with her own kids in mind, these beautiful plush toys are infused with Melissa Lowry's artful craftsmanship and fresh sense of style. Now you can create your own unique characters and quick-sew fabric accessories. Use easy-to-learn needle-felting techniques for cuddly animals without any sharp plastic components. Follow simple, fully illustrated steps to craft huggable, long-limbed friends like Oliver the Raccoon and Madeline the Fox or adorable little plushes like Harry the Hedgehog and Penny the Panda. With moveable arms and legs and chic outfits, every doll has personality. Experienced sewers will love the clever, detailed patterns and beginners will find the simple, clean lines approachable. As well suited to playtime as they are to home décor, these dolls make the perfect handmade gift and add a whimsical touch to any room.

With its simple, organic charm and timeless natural beauty, Mission-style furniture has enjoyed continued popularity for over a century. For craftsman and non-craftsman alike, perhaps the most cherished examples of Mission-style furniture are lamps. *Mission Style Lamps and Shades* takes readers through the entire process of designing, planning, and constructing radiant Mission-style lamps and shades. For countless craftspeople, John Duncan Adams's *Mission Style Lamps and Shades* has been the go-to guide for those wanting to build their own lamps and shades. The book contains a wide array of do-it-yourself projects, from reading lamps to chandeliers, desk lights to drop lights, complete with easy-to-follow instructions, measurements, and more than 75 diagrams, drawings, and illustrations. With straightforward language, Adams takes the reader through techniques like trimming a block of wood, using a soldering iron, and designing opulent shades with art glass. With Adams's expert guidance, the beginning craftsman will have no trouble creating a one-of-a-kind, fully functional, decorative lamps and shade.

Forget step-by-step instructions and copycat designs. In *The Improv Handbook for Modern Quilters*, Sherri Lynn Wood presents a flexible approach to quilting that breaks free of old paradigms. Instead of traditional instructions, she presents 10 frameworks (or scores) that create a guiding, but not limiting, structure. To help quilters gain confidence, Wood also offers detailed lessons for stitching techniques key to improvisation, design and spontaneity exercises, and lessons on color. Every quilt made from one of Wood's scores will have common threads, but each one will look different because it reflects the maker's unique interpretation. Featured throughout the book are Wood's own quilts and a gallery of contributor works chosen from among the hundreds submitted when she invited volunteers to test her scores during the making of this groundbreaking work.

Does your creative studio leave you feeling overwhelmed or uninspired? With over one hundred photos, this lookbook offers an endless visual parade of ideas for your craft room! Smart storage solutions, furniture, and accessories can help quilters, needle artists, knitters, and crafters keep their creativity on track! Whether you're undergoing a radical reinvention or looking for tiny tweaks, you'll finally be able to plan and organize your projects in a workspace that works for you.

Build your watercolor skills with confidence with these 25 beautiful and beginner-friendly new projects on premium watercolor paper! This easy-to-use watercolor workbook is filled with unique and beautiful flower and nature sketches that are ready for you to watercolor--no drawing skills required! Each page is specially designed with simple step-by-step instructions so you can easily and confidently paint each project and create artwork that matches the quality of the author's example. Watercolor Workbook features: • An introduction to fundamental watercolor techniques • 25 projects on thick, 200 gsm premium watercolor art paper—no color bleed-through! • Easy-to-follow instructions that can be completed in 30 minutes or less • Beautiful floral and plant artwork, including: wild roses, poppies, sunflowers, buttercups, dandelions, and more • Easy-to-follow instructions, including suggested paint and paintbrush materials, so you can start painting today Artist and author Sarah Simon, a.k.a. @themintgardener, has taught thousands of people how to paint with watercolor. Her first book Modern Watercolor Botanicals provides everything you need to know about the art of watercolor and, now in this new workbook, Simon offers 25 watercolor projects that you can sit down and enjoy painting today!

Digital Textile Design covers everything students and practitioners of textile design will need to learn about designing and printing digitally. Textile designers are beginning to realize the creative potential of digital textile design and are fast catching up with graphic designers who have taken to working digitally. New digital textile-printing technology is enabling designers to work with an almost unlimited palette of colors to produce work of staggering detail in relatively short timescales. Written specifically for textile designers, Digital Textile Design provides the know-how for students and professionals who wish to use Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator as design tools. A series of inspirational tutorials, presented in step-by-step format, guide the reader through the process of creating designs that will be suited to both the traditional textile production process, and to the new industry of digital printing onto fabric. Against the backdrop of the development of digital print, the book discusses how designers can access this new technique, looks at the work of those currently exploring its possibilities, and also features the craft of embellishment that is being used to offset the apparent flatness of print.

Hand lettering is experiencing a renaissance--so get in on the trend! Artist Kathy Glynn explains the basics of the three main techniques--hand lettering, brush lettering, and pointed pen calligraphy--and shows how to create work that's expressive, exquisite, and romantic. Learn how to combine styles, add embellishments, and even digitize lettering. More than 20 beautiful projects range from invitations to temporary tattoos.

Provides twenty-two ideas for incorporating elements of the garden into home decor, featuring step-by-step instructions for projects--including planters, sculptures, and wreaths--that use both live and dried plant materials.

Embroider a menagerie of 30 adorable animals! From a sweet giraffe and a happy cat to a sly little red fox and a friendly hedgehog, Animal Embroidery Workbook features step-by-step instructions and dozens of easy-to-use patterns to create embroidery hoops for all your favorite animals with charming floral details. Intermediate embroiderers will pick them up in no time, and beginners can tackle the simpler projects and further their skills with the more complicated designs. Also included is basic introductory information about materials and supplies, techniques – such as template transfer and setting up a double hoop – and a guide to basic stitches. These clear, usable embroidery patterns are designed and written by author Jessica Long, founder of Jessica Long Embroidery where she shares her patterns, kits, tutorials, and more. Dive into Laura's delightful world of embroidery and learn how to create small, free-form embroidery pieces that are alive with color and texture. With instructions for 21 basic embroidery stitches and 6 projects, all in Laura's signature colorful, whimsical style, you'll transform a flat, plain surface into a joyful, design-packed art piece. Stitch on wool, felt, or silk, and enjoy the simple pleasure of slow stitching. Includes a gallery of display ideas, as well as additional ideas for using free-form stitching.

"Will understands the life-enhancing abilities of colour. He's a true talent with a keen eye." Jonathan Adler This book will take readers on an inspiring journey to discover fifteen decor destinations that each have a distinct and inspired style. From the colourful cool of Miami Brights to the eclectic urban hipster warehouses of Brooklyn and the nautical feel of the Hamptons and Normandy, a diverse mix of decor styles will be explored. The homes will mirror their surrounding environments, and room analysis for every space in the home will show readers how they can recreate their favourite looks and styles no matter where they live. Our homes are a reflection of how we live and nothing impacts on that more than where we live, and the lifestyle we lead. This book will take readers on an inspiring and tactile journey to discover the decorating style that represents their personal style, all demonstrated via Will's personal and evocative travel imagery, charming illustrations and personality-packed homes across the globe. By inspiring readers to look to their surroundings and call on their own travel memories and personal journeys, the book will be the practical yet playful travel companion the reader needs to create their own Destination Decor style.

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