

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

*16 stunning home decor projects that you can make in a weekend! Finding time to quilt doesn't have to be a luxury--or a long-term commitment. In Weekend Quilting, popular Tied with a Ribbon blogger Jemima Flendt shows you how to create stylish quilts, cushions, and runners in a few days or less. Written for quilters of all skill levels, this easy-to-use guide features step-by-step directions for making 16 inspiring designs with 8 basic blocks and techniques, from Nine Patches and Pinwheels to applique and paper piecing. You'll also find chapters on quilting basics and finishing techniques as well as tips throughout on working with precuts, sewing on the bias, and adding a personalized touch to a finishing piece. With Weekend Quilting, you can enjoy stress-free stitching and the gratification of a finished quilt on Monday. Sew happy!*

*Sashiko, the traditional Japanese technique of needlework quilting, uses simple running stitch to create beautifully decorative patterns ideal for patchwork, quilting and embroidery. This little book describes everything you need to begin stitching.*

*Turn Your Crafting Into a Career! All over the world, creatives are turning their hobby into their livelihoods--and Crafter's Market offers the competitive edge you need to make your craft your career. This comprehensive guide will introduce you to a new world of possibilities for taking your craft to the next level. To help you on your journey, this edition is updated with fresh resources, such as: • Over 250 new listings for complete, up-to-date contacts and submission guidelines for more than 1,500 craft market resources, including craft shows, publishers, marketplaces, and more! • Informative, inspirational articles on building your brand, customer communication, teaching classes, getting press coverage, photographing your goods, and more, from successful craft business owners. • Actions you can take today to grow your business now, no matter your creative medium--quilting, sewing, knitting, crochet, papercraft, or jewelry making! Whether you're looking to expand your online presence or you're just beginning to think about how to turn your weekend hobby into a side business, Crafter's Market is the complete resource for creative professionals.*

*An accessible guide to understanding and using Spoonflower to design your own fabric, wallpaper, and gift wrap. 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—twenty-four 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.*

**2+ Must-have Accessories**

**A Comprehensive Guide to 225 Embroidery Stitches and Techniques**

***Boutique Knits***

***Wee Wonderfals***

***25 Vintage-Inspired Projects for the Modern Girl & A Stylish History of the Sewing Revolution***

***Free-Range Cocktails for the Happiest Hour***

***A Field Guide to Fabric Design***

***Fabric-by-Fabric One-Yard Wonders***

***Celebrates stitched doll art by providing full-sized templates for twenty-three human, animal, and creature doll projects, and features artist profiles, studio photographs, and descriptions of signature techniques.***

***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.***

***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***

***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, resis dying, 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) have emerged,***

***The Bag Making Bible***

***A Handbook of how to Create Decorative and Repeat Patterns for Designers and Students***

***A Year of Simple Projects for Living Well***

***Inspiration from 50 Artists***

***Behind the Scenes with a Master Colorist***

***The Complete Guide to Sewing and Customizing Your Own Unique Bags***

***Creative Pep Talk***

***We Make Dolls!***

This authoritative guide outlines everything readers need to know to create gorgeous fabrics. There's nothing like it on the market. 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 navigating the marketplace. Beautifully illustrated with swatches of exquisite fabrics and hundreds of photos, and featuring interviews with 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.

This open access book explores the experience of working as a craftsperson or designer maker in the contemporary creative marketplace. The authors utilise evidence from the only major empirical study to explore the skills required and the challenges facing contemporary makers in an increasingly crowded marketplace. Drawing upon 180 interviews with peak organisations, established and emerging makers, and fieldwork across Australia, this book offers a unique insight into the motivations informing those who seek to make an income as a craftsperson or designer maker practice, as well as the challenges and opportunities facing them as they do so at this time of renewed interest in handmade goods internationally in the artisanal and handmade. Offering a rich and deep collection of real-life experiences, this book is aimed both at an academic and practitioner audience.

Crochet the cutest food-themed home goods you'll ever see with Twinkie Chan's new book of patterns! Crochet designer and author Twinkie Chan is back with her highly anticipated book *Crocheted Abode a la Mode: 20 Yummy Crochet Projects for Your Home*. This is a follow-up to Chan's first book, which featured food-inspired crocheted accessories. In *Crocheted Abode a la Mode*, Chan unveils

food-themed crochet patterns for crafters to follow as they crochet their living space into a cozier, yummiier place. The book according to rooms in your house: kitchen and dining, living and lounging, bath and beauty, and home office. Helpful diagrams, instructions, and colorful photos help crocheters of all skill levels create Chan's cute and cozy home decor pieces. Readers will find several adorable, food-forward patterns to bring to life with their crochet hooks--everything from giant donut floor pouf, honeybear aprons to savory corn dog pen cozies. Chan's signature style is cute, colorful, food-themed, and always functional, an attribute she likes to call "cute-tility." Her fun, unique designs are inspired by Japanese kawaii (cute) culture as well as her collection of faux food toys. Her patterns appeal to crafters of all ages, and her warm, conversational writing style welcomes the crocheted world, encouraging everyone to get creative. So, what are you waiting for? Let the fun unravel!

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

Sew Retro

The Complete Guide to Designing and Printing Fabric

1500 Designs from All Ages and Cultures

English Paper Piecing beyond the Hexagon for Quilts & Small Projects

Techniques and Projects for Inspired Printmaking and Surface Design

20 Yummy Crochet Projects for Your Home

Techniques, Tutorials & Inspiration for the Innovative Designer

The Complete Pattern Directory

*Shows how to create repeated patterns, discusses color, traditional designs, and equipment, and includes advice on becoming a designer, creating a portfolio, and preparing a resume*

*"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 of the New York Times Motherlode blog, and author of How to Be a Happier Parent Inspired by her popular*

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*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*

*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.*

*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.*

*The Spoonflower Handbook*

*Hand Lettering Step by Step*

*The Stitch Bible*

*Digital Textile Design*

*Craftspeople and Designer Makers in the Contemporary Creative Economy*

*All Points Patchwork*

*24 Dolls to Sew and Love*

*A DIY Guide to Designing Fabric, Wallpaper & Gift Wrap with 30+ Projects*

**Design your own handprinted patterns! Stamp and print your own patterns on paper, fabric, and more. Learn to create original stamp, stencil, and screen designs and apply them to a wide range of surfaces and objects for charming handprinted graphics and patterns. The Printed Pattern will teach you how to create mood boards and color schemes and how to experiment with composition and scale for effective design. Learn nine different methods for creating reliefs with stamping, stenciling, and screen printing with the Drurys' clear instructions. The book also offers templates to be used as guides for cutting stencils. Both textile artists and DIY crafters will be inspired to use these easy techniques to turn a simple graphic design into a fabulous, modern handprinted piece.**

**Presents step-by-step instructions for creating twenty-four soft dolls, including Margot, a topsy-turvy doll; Evelyn, an inchworm wearing glasses; and Koji, a spiked monster.**

**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.**

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 making.

**How to Sew - Sashiko**

**A Romance in Stitches and Embroidery from Alabama Chanin and The School of Making**

**Portfolio Skills**

**Fabric Surface Design**

**Print & Pattern: Geometric**

**50 Playful Exercises for Exploring Pattern Design**

**Upcycling**

**34 DIYs to Make the Most of Your Fabric Stash**

Stitch up a storm with these new, stash-friendly projects from every fabric lovers' favorite creative force: Spoonflower. Spoonflower—the design-your-own, print-on-demand fabric company known for its unique designs—presents dozens of brand-new projects designed to be completed in just a few hours. Get inspired and turn your favorite fabric into a lovely garland, stylish tote, children's tent, and all sorts of other accessories for home and fashion. The simple step-by-step instructions are accompanied by templates and pattern pieces. With projects for a wide range of skill sets, this book is perfect for both new and experienced sewists. Designing fabric, wallpaper, and gift wrap used to be the stuff of dreams. Today, Spoonflower's technology allows anyone to affordably create, print, and purchase one-of-a-kind fabric or paper. The best-selling authors of One-Yard Wonders are back with an all-new collection of 101 sewing projects that each require just one yard of fabric! This time, the projects are organized by fabric type. From home dec to knits, wool to flannels, corduroy to cottons, these patterns--contributed by popular sewing bloggers and designers from across North America--show how to make the most of each fabric's unique characteristics. Waterproof coated cottons are perfect for a gym bag, wool makes a warm cap for the outdoor enthusiast, knit jersey whips up quickly into a ruffle scarf or sassy dress, corduroy makes a sturdy farmers' market tote, and lightweight cotton voile is perfect for a

little girl's smocked sundress. Each project is shown in a full-color photograph accompanied by detailed step-by-step instructions, illustrations, and a complete cutting layout.

From author of *Wreck This Journal*, Keri Smith's *Finish This Book* is a creative adventure where the reader is the main character - and the author. Dear Reader, One dark and stormy night, I found some strange scattered pages abandoned in a park... I collected and assembled them, trying to solve the mystery of this unexpected discovery, and I am now passing the task on to you. Your mission is to become the new author of this work. You will continue the research and provide the content. In order to complete the task, you will have to undergo some secret intelligence training, which I have included in this volume. Since no one knows what lies ahead, please proceed with caution, but know... This book does not exist without you. Yours truly, Keri Smith Bestselling author Keri Smith is a freelance illustrator by trade, and has illustrated for the Washington Post, The New York Times, Ford Motor Company, People, The Body Shop and Hallmark. She is the author of *Wreck This Journal*, *How To Be An Explorer of the World* and *Mess*. She lives in Canada.

Do you have a passion for patterns? The importance and prevalence of both color and pattern in the current design landscape is impossible to deny. Not only is pattern a headliner in the fashion category, but bold pattern is also taking center stage in home decor, paper goods, and accessories like no other time in recent history. It's time to jump onto the scene with *Color + Pattern*! Masterful pattern designer Khristian A. Howell will fill you with confidence and a fearless use of color and an interest in all things pattern, so you can create your own beautiful art that can be printed on fabrics, paper, and transfers. Fully illustrated with a large and varied range of pattern designs, *Color + Pattern* highlights leaders in the industry, showcasing how pattern design comes to life when it finds its way onto perfectly paired products. Aside from sharing loads of gorgeous work, *Color + Pattern* informs readers on the many different kinds of patterns and terminology, exploring found patterns, sharing processes of creating patterns, as well as showing ways to integrate pattern into many facets of real life with 50 exercises. After all color and pattern are meant to be fun, so design, color and repeat!

Would I Lie to You?

Drinking with Chickens

Mastering the Art of Fabric Printing and Design

Surface Pattern Design

Weekend Quilting

The Printed Pattern

The Geometry of Hand-Sewing

Color + Pattern

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 experiment with fitting 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.

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 a 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 among fans and beyond.

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

The latest book based on the popular Print & Pattern blog, Print & Pattern: Nature celebrates beautiful surface design patterns, and motifs of leaves, insects, grasses, butterflies, and trees. Product areas covered include stationery, cards, and giftwrap, fabrics, wallpaper, rugs, ceramics, homewares, gadget skins, and more. Documenting the work of the best designers in the field, the book is an invaluable source of reference and inspiration for surface designers, designer-makers and craftspeople, graphic designers, illustrators, and textile designers.

101 Sewing Projects Using Cottons, Knits, Voiles, Corduroy, Fleece, Flannel, Home Dec, Oilcloth, Wool, and Beyond

The Amazing Power of Being Honest in a World That Lies

Create Beautiful Things with the Stuff You Already Have

Kaffe Fassett in the Studio

Twinkie Chan's Crocheted Abode a la Mode

Surface Design by 25 Contemporary Artists

Print & Pattern: Nature

Finish This Book

An essential resource for any designer, crafter, artist, or historian, THE COMPLETE PATTERN DIRECTORY is the most comprehensive, practical, and beautiful directory of patterns throughout history, covering all periods, styles, and cultures. Throughout history, patterns have come in countless permutations of motif, color, and scale. From the first rhythmic marks pressed onto clay vessels, to the latest digital design, pattern-making has been an essential part of the decorative arts since time immemorial. With 1500 illustrations of patterns from all ages and cultures, THE COMPLETE PATTERN DIRECTORY is not only a visual feast, it is the most comprehensive resource available on the subject. The book is arranged thematically

according to pattern type, with chapters on Flora, Fauna, Pictorial, Geometric, and Abstract designs. Each pattern includes the name of the pattern, the year of its creation, and a brief description. The categories are supplemented by in-depth features highlighting the work of key designers including William Morris, Sonia Delaunay, Charles and Ray Eames, Lucienne Day, and Orla Kiely, as well as sections detailing the characteristic motifs of key period styles from Baroque to Art Deco.

The ultimate guide to sewing bags from expert Lisa Lam, whose technical knowledge, creative flair and enthusiasm have helped and inspired thousands while promoting the craft of bag-making worldwide. Whether you are getting started, improving your technique or want to design your own creations, this is the book you will grab for every bag you make! Detailed photographs illustrate every technique in this unique book, from choosing fabric to inserting fastenings. Expert tips, trade secrets and inspirational advice result in professional and beautiful results every time, allowing you to create a capsule wardrobe of eight exclusive bag designs which will amaze your friends - they will never believe you made it yourself! Lisa's helpful and friendly tone comes through in her instructions, and it really feels like you have an expert by your side holding you hand every step of the way. She starts with the basics of how to read and interpret patterns, how to prepare and cut fabrics, and how to select the right interfacings and interlinings for your bags, then moves on to more specific techniques in each chapter. The Structure and Reinforcement chapter covers how to sew darts, pleats, gussets, flat bottoms and gathers - showing you in detail how to sew these features. The Linings chapter reveals how to insert zip pockets into your linings, as well as different methods of inserting a bag lining. The Closures chapter explains how to insert a zip in three different scenarios, plus how to insert magnetic snap fastenings, twist lock fastenings, and how to use eyelets and rivets. The Handles and Straps chapter teaches you six different types of straps, from making simple straps to adjustable straps and even designer looking piped handles. The Pockets chapter contains a wealth of different pocket types, showing you how to sew a slip pocket to sewing roomy bellows pockets, elasticized pockets and darted corner pockets. Finally, the Edgings and Trimmings chapter reveals how to bind raw edges for a professional finish, including how to make bias binding, and also shows you how to sew piping and how to use ribbon, jewellery and embellishments on your bags. At the end of each chapter there is a bag project to make so you can put the techniques into practice straight away. These exciting and desirable designs are explained in full detail, with helpful photographs to guide you every step of the way. Starting with how to make a tote bag, the projects build in complexity. You will learn how to make a clutch bag, how to sew a messenger bag, how to make a hobo bag, how to make a travel holdall bag and more. Crucially, the pull-out pattern sheet gives full-size patterns, meaning there is no resizing or photocopying to do - you can get straight into cutting and sewing bags. This one-of-a-kind book is the ultimate guide to bag-making and an invaluable resource that you will reach for time and time again. "An amazing sewing education coupled with beautiful bags that of course, you can customize!" Amy Butler.

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)!

Renowned environmental lifestyle expert and Today Show regular Danny Seo shares 100 of his most inspiring projects for creative transformation. Have neglected items around your house? They can be the source for exciting craft possibilities! Turn your old leather belts into a cool doormat (or even a briefcase!); worn-out paperbacks into gorgeous bud vases; tennis balls into a quaint country swing; chopsticks into a handsome trivet, and many more. With full-color photos throughout to guide and inspire, Danny shows that it's easy to be crafty, and fun to be budget- and eco-conscious.

50 Fat Quarter Makes

Quilt and Unwind with Simple Designs to Sew in No Time

The Spoonflower Quick-sew Project Book

From the Beginning and Beyond with Doll Masters

Crafter's Market

Handbook of Ambient Intelligence and Smart Environments

The DIY Resource for Creating a Successful and Profitable Craft Business

Sewing Happiness

As makers, we tend to learn different stitches over time without thinking much about how they relate to one another. But when Natalie Chanin and her Alabama Chanin and The School of Making teams began to look at needlework closely, they realized all stitches are based on geometric grid systems—and by using grids as guides, they could make learning stitches, even seemingly elaborate ones, as easy as child's play. In *The Geometry of Hand-Sewing* Chanin presents their breakthrough method, featuring illustrated instructions (for both right- and left-handed stitchers) for more than 100 stitches—from the most basic straight and chain to the more fanciful feather and herringbone; photos of both right and wrong sides; and guidelines for modifying stitches to increase one's repertoire further. To simplify learning, the book also offers downloads for two stitching cards with the grids on which every stitch in the book is based. These printable cards can be used as stencils for transferring grids to fabric.

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.

Thread your needle and master the art of embroidery in this indispensable guide to the most popular stitches and essential stitching techniques. Whether you are new to sewing and stitching or you want to increase your repertoire, *The Stitch Bible* is the ideal reference, with 225 embroidery stitches and techniques, plus 17 gorgeous projects to practise what you have learned. This comprehensive guide includes Freestyle embroidery techniques, Hardanger embroidery stitches both in traditional white and contemporary colours, Blackwork stitches based on geometric designs, Crewelwork tapestry techniques, sparkingly elegant Goldwork, striking Pulled Thread embroidery, bold and beautiful Canvaswork and delicate Drawn Thread techniques. Features include: Beautiful inspirational photography of the projects you can make with these stitches. Step-by-step illustration for all 225 stitches, making it simple to complete each stitch perfectly. 17 contemporary projects to put your new found skills to use straight away. All the templates and charts needed to complete the projects. Comprehensive information on the materials and equipment you need. Advice on the basic techniques such as how to transfer a design onto fabric, how to use an embroidery frame, how to read an embroidery chart and how to lace and frame your embroidery. This essential bible to stitching will become a trusted resource and a firm friend on your craft bookshelf.

Every artist needs a little pep talk now and then. An inspiring tool and beautiful art book in one, *Creative Pep Talk* offers illustrated words of wisdom from 50 of today's leading creative professionals. With full-color, typographic prints and explanatory statements from a host of creative luminaries—including Aaron James Draplin, Oliver Jeffers, Lisa Congdon, Mike Perry, and many others—this volume encourages artists to stay excited, experiment boldly, and conquer fear. "Create curiosity," "Learn to say no," and "If you can't be good, be different" are just a few of the motivational maxims in this visually rich collection that's perfect for students, designers, artists, and creatives at any stage in their careers.

Top Dollmakers Share Their Secrets & Patterns

Techniques and Projects to Express Yourself Creatively

Cloth Doll Workshop

Design, Print & Sell Your Own Fabric; Traditional & Digital Techniques

Fifty Sewing Projects Made Using Fat Quarters

The Weaver's Studio: Doubleweave

Pretty Patterns

**Encouraging knitters to think beyond traditional patterns, this guide offers ways to construct and embellish**

**work with smart and quirky personal touches that combine imaginative trims with hardware accents. Covering a wide variety of knitting techniques such as felting, intarsia, Fair Isle, lacework, and cables, the unique examples in this resource include buckles and bolts to close an intricately cabled belt, a chain handle to finish a felted bag, and grommets to complete a half-felted handbag. This collection of modern, stylish patterns will inspire beginning and intermediate knitters with its uncommon techniques and materials, dressing up quick and easy projects with head-turning flair.**

**The latest book based on the popular Print & Pattern website, Print & Pattern: Geometric celebrates beautiful surface designs, patterns, and motifs made from geometric shapes such as circles, triangles, hexagons, etc. The patterns included reflect current trends for tribal, Aztec, and Native American designs, along with Scandinavian influences and more mathematical and scientific looks. Product areas covered include stationery, cards and giftwrap, fabrics, wallpaper, rugs, ceramics, homewares, gadget skins, and more. Documenting the work of the best designers in the field, the book is an invaluable source of reference and inspiration for surface designers, designer-makers and craftspeople, graphic designers, illustrators, and textile designers.**

**Doubleweave is the art of weaving two layers of cloth at the same time, one above the other on the loom, creating beautiful cloth that is reversible yet unique on each side. Using pick-up techniques and clever color mixing, patterns emerge that are different but complementary on each side. The Weaver's Studio: Doubleweave begins with a brief history of doubleweave and how it has evolved into the contemporary weaving pieces seen today. Next, you will learn all the basics of doubleweave techniques, as well as tips and tricks of setting up the warp, and a variety of doubleweave specialty techniques all shown through detailed process photography and a wealth of swatches demonstrating different effects. Specialty techniques are shown for 4-shaft and 8-shaft looms. The weaving effects covered include lace, tubular weave, pick-up, color mixing, and more. And since doubleweave showcases color and pattern in unique ways, you will learn how to use these to great effect in your cloth designs. Throughout the book, you will find a wealth of inspiration with many examples of finished cloth and projects, from wall hangings and table runners to scarves and pillows.**

**Fat quarters aren't just for quilters! All sewers love these inexpensive pieces of fabric and this book shows you how to create 50 fabulous projects from your stash! This unique collection of 50 quick-and-easy sewing projects includes contemporary ideas for DIY home decor, accessories, gifts and more--all made using fat quarters. Projects range from instant fixes like coin purses needing just one fat quarter, to quilts and wall hangings that need up to ten fat quarters which will really bust your fabric stash! Ten talented designers from across the blogosphere contribute their patterns--including cases and cosies, bags and baskets, pillows and playmats, quilts and clothes--bloggers featured include Kaye Prince, Kevin Kosab and Cynthia Shaffer from the US.**