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Wise Craft Quilts: A Guide To Turning Beloved Fabrics Into Meaningful Patchwork



Synopsis

Infuse your quilts with love--how to add your personal story and more meaning to your handmade quilts. In *Wise Craft Quilts*, celebrated quilt designer and crafter Blair Stocker shares ways to use cherished fabrics to make quilts with more meaning. Each of the twenty-one quilts featured here gathers a special collection of fabric, outlines a new technique, and spins a story. By using special fabrics as the starting point for each project—from a wedding dress to baby's first clothes, worn denim, Tyvek race numbers, and more—the finished quilt is made even more special. Create quilts that have a story to tell and you'll find a whole new level of appreciation for what they represent in your life and the lives of the ones you love.

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Customer Reviews

"I wish I could have had my hands on this book when I began making quilts." —Denyse Schmidt, from the Foreword

BLAIR STOCKER is the author, quiltmaker, upcycler, painter, teacher, DIY daredevil, and founder of Wise Craft Handmade. She began writing about her creative pursuits on her blog *Wise Craft* in 2005. Today, she teaches and lectures across the country on her philosophy of creative reuse in handmade goods. In her first book, *Wise Craft: Turning Thrift Store Finds, Fabric Scraps, and Natural Objects into Stuff You Love* (Running Press, March 2014), she brought together all the aspects of a handmade home, through seasonal color inspiration and a variety of handmade projects spanning furniture makeovers, crochet, knitting, quilting, and painting.

This is such a pretty book...wonderful photographs that show exactly what the finished design will look like...I'm a newer quilter and some books can be very intimidating. Wise Craft Quilts has such a variety, I feel like I can definitely learn some new techniques and improve both my quilting and design skills.

Full of great ideas.

Just an all around beautiful book. Quality projects that can be adapted to really any taste (whether up cycling like in the book, or using your own fabric stash). My favorite quilting look is scrappy, so these designs are very inspiring to me. Some of them made with old textiles are just mind-blowing...I never would have imagined you could make something so beautiful and contemporary with things like handkerchiefs. Worth having in your library for sure.

Blair Stocker creates meanful and thoughtful books. Wise Craft Quilts embraces repurposing materials to stitch hand crafted pieces of art for everyday use. There's so many great projects. I'm so happy to have this book on my shelf of favorite quilt books.

This book is gorgeous!!!! Blair does an amazing job sharing some really great, unique project ideas. I've been saving some of my kid's special clothes from their childhood and this book has given me the inspiration I needed to get started on a project. Seriously - so many great projects but once you see the "Star" quilt you'll totally understand what I'm saying!

I picked up some helpful tips, as well as encouragement, from this easy to follow guide.

This is such a beautiful book full of inspiring projects and gorgeous eye candy. It's a wonderful how to book as well as a gorgeous volume to page through when I'm seeking beauty and inspiration. Well done!

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