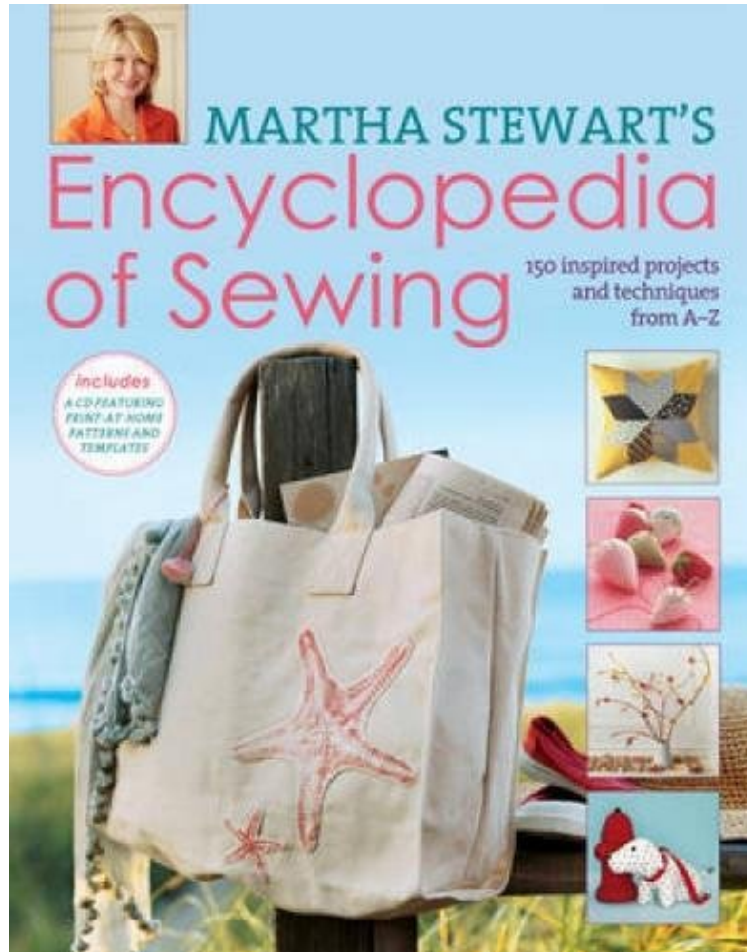


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Martha Stewart : Martha Stewart's Encyclopedia of Sewing and Fabric Crafts before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Martha Stewart's Encyclopedia of Sewing and Fabric Crafts:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. It is a fantastic crafts and knitting, sewing, dyeing reference. By Rozalia This book is a godsend: it has many of the features I was trying to get familiar with as a new immigrant to the US. Ms. Stewart's detail-oriented explanations and minuscule, to the "T" information makes every project a breeze. Additionally, very convenient templates are ready for printing on included in the book CD. Photos of most important aspects of projects are included as are shopping lists. The very first pages of setting up a sewing shop with a tip of taping little baskets in drawers under the sewing table top is very helpful, with this tiny detail to use tape stronger than the regular "scotch" tape used to fasten papers (with stronger tape the baskets will stay fastened). I yet have to find time to go through all the projects, but the first now will be to dye some vintage sheer window curtains that lost their white crisp sheer. And, Ms. Stewart's smiling face that is her signature emblem on all her products makes even the most

hesitant first timer a little more confident that if the steps are followed, the end product will be just as beautiful as the ones in the pictures. I ordered some other books by her, for entertaining, Christmas and for general housekeeping (cannot remember the title off hand). These usually include recipes for a 100 guests, which I need to scale down to my smaller needs. The housekeeping book has tons of information, but is a bit lacking in detail as opposed to this one (in many cases it states to use mild dishwashing soap or mild detergent as opposed to specific suggestions what to find in stores. Again, I am a first generation immigrant and do not necessarily know which ones are the "mild" ones). Thank you Ms. Stewart for this wonderful book and the others! 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Not for beginners but really good just the same. By At Home Mommy I bought this after having reviewed the entire thing at a local BN, and since I found over half of the projects are things I want to try out or I can change slightly to suit my needs, it is a good book for me. As per some of the other reviews, this is not a beginners' book, nor is it something I recommend for those that cannot think in a 3D mindset. Many of the projects I have to read and re-read the steps to get a clear visual in my mind what I will be doing to make the item. It really makes me focus on what I am doing, and that in turn helps me determine how or if I need to change anything. To date I have made the sock-doggies for my son, the wrap a-line skirt, and used Martha's technique for printing on canvas curtains to make additions to some store-bought curtains I have for a guest bedroom. I have also really enjoyed the beautiful images in this book and have gathered ample home decor and organization ideas from it. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. consider patterns carefully before investing time and material. By Vaughn I think Martha's "kingdom" has gotten to big for her to oversee properly. for example: The felt baby shoes made from the pattern included in this book are so very cute I made a dozen pair, only to discover that the ankle strap has never fit around any baby I've tried. . . However the layout, artwork, and organization is A+, very inspirational.

A treasury of sewing and fabric craft techniques and projects, 'Encyclopedia of Sewing' comes complete with an additional CD ROM containing all the patterns and templates you will need.

About the Author Martha Stewart is the author of dozens of best selling books on cooking, entertaining, gardening, weddings and decorating. She is the host of The Martha Stewart Show in the US, where Martha Stewart Living magazine was first published in 1990. Martha lives in New York. Visit marthastewart.com