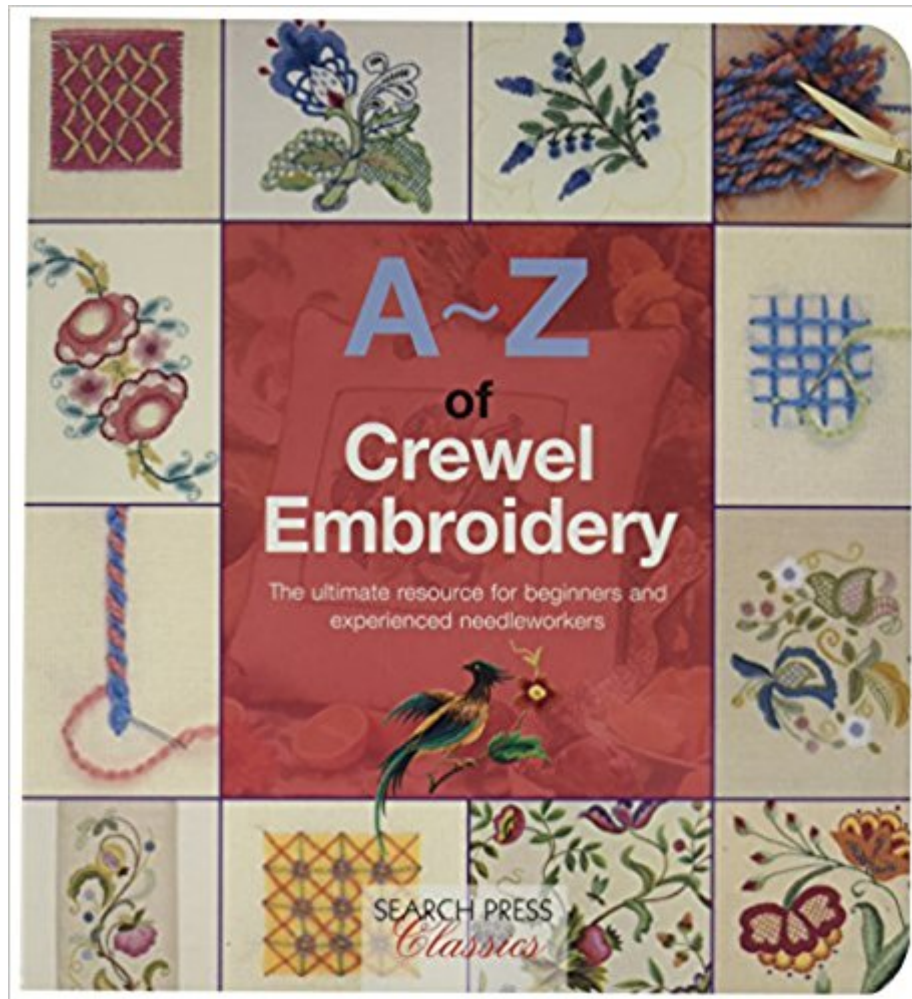


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# A-Z Of Crewel Embroidery (A-Z Of Needlecraft)



## Synopsis

Presented in an easy to use style, this book is overflowing with hundreds of step-by-step photographs and invaluable hints for creating over 16 original designs in styles ranging from traditional to contemporary, each one accompanied by color photography, clear working instructions and a full size pattern. Also included is comprehensive information about the wools, fabrics and equipment required and a multitude of tips to help get you started. Tantalizing tidbits about the beginning of crewel embroidery and its evolution within different societies is included, along with over 500 step-by-step photographs and easy to follow instructions for more than 45 stitches and techniques. Also included is a simple to use cross-referenced index.

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Country Bumpkin, the Australian publisher of the A-Z series of instructional books for various types of embroidery and needlework scores again with this affordable reprint. These books sell out fast and then used copies command a high price, so make sure you get yours while they last. Country Bumpkin also reprinted their two Stitch Dictionaries in this round of reprints and I can't recommend those highly enough for beginning and intermediate embroiderers and as a reference for the more advanced. Now for their offering in Crewel Embroidery. Crewel Embroidery is a classic form of embroidery using wool threads on linen fabric and stylized floral patterns, though modern interpretations often use more realistic forms. It is a beautiful form of embroidery and there is a reason that crewel has remained popular since Elizabethan and Tudor times. The basic stitches are also easy to learn the the wool threads are forgiving in the more difficult stitches. The A-Z Books

follow a tried and true format. First there is a history of the embroidery type, followed by a review of required tools - including any specialty tools specific to the type of embroidery taught and a review of materials, mainly thread and material options. Then there is a stitch dictionary section that is specific to the type of embroidery, in this case crewel. The stitch instructions are photographed at each stage of the stitch and step by step written instructions are provided under each photograph. This section is one of the things that makes the A-Z series so valuable - even complex stitches are easy to learn using only the book. Examples of crewel embroidery are shown throughout the book for inspiration.

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