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Synopsis

Basic felt techniques are thoroughly explained and illustrated with over 550 step-by-step photographs. Twenty-eight original projects presented use both industrial felt and felted wool. As a fabric, felt comes from wool and is set apart from other woolen fabrics in that it is not woven. This book explains in simple, easily followed, illustrated instructions the techniques for making felt from wool and working with it, both wet and dry, to create felt flowers, balls, and cords, how to use felting with molds, and more. Projects for children, home decoration, and clothing accessories are all provided, including finger puppets, table runners, sunflower bowls, rings, and purses. Enjoy these techniques, originally discovered thousands of years ago by Asian nomadic tribes and passed down from generation to generation. In the modern day, there are artisans in every corner of the world who work with felt in art. This extensive book is complemented by a gallery of work by international felt artists, showing variations that will inspire the imagination.

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Customer Reviews

Felting by Elvira LÃpez Del Prado Rivas is an exciting book that teaches everything one would want to know about the craft. I with very little knowledge about felting before feel much more educated! I have not only been educated but inspired greatly to make my own interesting, creative, and unique things out of felt! Who knew such an age old technique from around 3500 B.C could be so exciting to learn about as well as take part in! The book is put together very well being thoroughly detailed in the imagery of over 550-step-by-step photographs as well as in instructions

and explanations. There are a total of five chapters which are: 1. Felt, 2. Material & Tools, 3. Processes, 4. Techniques, 5. Projects. Each of the chapters have several categories. At the end of the book there's an Artist Gallery by International felt artist which features all sorts of interesting, inspiring, exciting, and amazing creations. The twenty-eight original projects presented use both industrial felt and felted wool. You can learn whether using wet or dry felt to make flowers, balls, hats, purses, slippers, refrigerator magnets, dolls, finger puppets, jewelry, and more! There are so many projects I adore! I took the opportunity to introduce my 3 and 6 year old to felt starting out with the felt sheets commonly found in craft stores and a few of the patterns in this book. These specific projects for younger kids include mostly cutting & gluing. Though note there are many more projects that have you creating felt yourself from wool! As a knitter, I am quite drawn to the patterns in this book that feature blocking and a few other techniques I've been eager to try but just hadn't done so yet. This book is taking me out of my comfort zone and for that I am glad! It has taken my love for fiber crafting to yet another level! I highly recommend picking up a copy for home, school, or crafting group use!

Title: Felting Author: Elvira Lopez Del Prado Rivas Publisher: Schiffer Publishing Ltd Published: 3-25-2014 ISBN: ISBN9780764345319 Pages: 144 Genre: Crafts and Hobbies Tags: DIY Overall Rating: Great 4.0 Reviewed For: NetGalley Reviewer: DelAnne A very informative and instructive book that shows us how to complete felt projects. From preparing the material we are going to work with all the way to the finishing the product. The wide variety ideas that you can tailor to your own taste is peppered with beautiful photographs to help you complete your projects. There is a section for children as well, but I think they are geared to a very young child, perhaps ages four to six. Older children will find projects to enjoy that are more geared to their age bracket. Check out Elvira Lopez Del Prado Rivas' book Felting for yourself. You will be sharing it with friends soon.

Much to like about this book. In full disclosure I viewed a copy in NetGalley - had been thinking of taking up some felting projects but where to start? I have some wool - precisely angora. The details of materials and directions and photos is excellent in the book, but there were a few things I had questions about. For example, the book talks about, in many places, using merino - but doesn't mention other fibers. Perhaps this is author's experience, or perhaps it's best to not use other fibers but I'm not sure. Love the details about preparing the fiber and details on doing the projects. I look forward to trying some. Much more complete than the other book for beginner guides. Worth the money, some cute projects here.

Although this was not the kind of "felting" book I was looking for, it was still a good book. The kind of felting I do is from knitting out of wool yarn and shrinking it. This kind was using actual wool (not yarn) and pieces of felt, and putting them together to make projects. I had never done this kind of "Felting" before but it looks like fun and there are a lot of real nice projects in here! The directions look very clear to follow. This is a very thorough and detailed book. There are a ton of nice colored photos! So two thumbs up for that! If this is something you have been wanting to try I do think this would be an excellent book to get!

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