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Creative Paper Cutting: Basic Techniques And Fresh Designs For Stencils, Mobiles, Cards, And More (Make Good: Crafts + Life)



Synopsis

Transform a simple sheet of paper into a delicate snowflake, a sweet flower, or a dainty doily or create an enchanted forest using a modern twist on the traditional technique for making paper dolls. Paper cutouts get a fresh look in this contemporary approach to the practice of transforming paper into art. It's full of clever and cute designs and a range of different cutting techniques that you can use to make your own cutouts for display, decoration, or embellishment. Offering a range of styles, this book presents paper cutting techniques through clear step-by-step instruction, detailed diagrams, and templates. Once you've mastered the basics, creative uses for paper cutouts are offered, including as cards, gift wrap, mobiles, collages, stencils, garlands, and more. Make the paper cuts in this book and add a creative touch to your home, gifts, or projects.

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Customer Reviews

Shufunotomo is a distinguished Japanese publisher of books on crafts, health, self-help, and more.

Great stepping off designs are presented in this book. It was geared, it appears, to the home made card set - but the projects were intricate enough to warrant more attention. It is good for beginners who are looking for a more sophisticated art of cutting paper and the ideas in the book lend themselves easily to those who would combine calligraphy with the art of cut paper for weddings and announcements.

i'm new to paper cutting, i've ordered quite a few books on this subject lately, but this is certainly one of the best, clear easy directions, beautiful projects made from paper, anyone can do this if they put a little time into it, and its cheap craft, but the final results are beautiful. highly recommend this book.

This book is both eye candy and useful tutor. A lot of crafts books are either ugly and useful, or pretty but lack directions to create the projects. This book has both, and it's easy to get started - you need scissors and paper, that's it. A clever part of the book shows you how to use candy wrappers and shopping bags for free paper and inspiration. This book is great fun to work out of. It gives you a good launching point for experimentation, as well as many different projects to do as-is.

I purchased this book as a gift for a friend. She tells me that she loves it and that it has inspired her to have fun with the papers that she paints for her handmade cards.

Items in this book can be used as gifts or gift tags, invitations, and something out of the ordinary to brighten someones day. Great book. clean, clear, concise instructions.

True to Japanese aesthetics, the techniques and projects presented in this book are beautiful in their simplicity. This does not mean that all the projects are easy to cut. The freehand paper figures by Keiko Tsuji, who suggests the incorporation of characters in scraps of printed media into lively designs, require excellent visualization and manual dexterity skills. The Bluebird and Christmas Tree mobiles by Yoshiko Murayama, require accurate x-acto knife cutting skills. However, what I liked best about the book, is that the authors encourage exploration and originality of design. In addition, the beautiful applications suggested, such as collage, screen printing and ornaments, can make marvelous gifts. Happy cutting!

Beginners guide to cutting, well presented and easy to use. Like a freshly baked loaf out of the oven, crispy clean and filling...

This book is modern,well presented and makes you want to get in and start cutting. I have tried many of the projects already! Although my cutting is a little rough,i have still had some exciting results. Each page is clearly set out and easy to read.I have also tried to do some of my own

designs following the instructions on how to fold the paper for different designs. I am an obsessive crafter and buy many books from , highly recommended by me..

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