


Can Do Picks

The V&A Book of Colour in Design

Tim Travis



The *V&A Book of Colour in Design* is attractively simple: a celebration and exploration of colour, as revealed through objects in the world-class collections of the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. Structured by colour, it offers fascinating insights into the choices made by designers and makers from across the world and throughout history. Each chapter begins with a brief introduction that considers the history, symbolism and use of an individual colour. Objects – from items of jewellery, textiles, glassware and ceramics to furniture and more – are reproduced in a visual selection that explores the varied hues of every colour. Beautifully designed, this highly visual, colour-led survey of design and the applied arts is a compelling sourcebook with broad appeal for anyone interested or involved in all aspects of visual culture.

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Mango and Hopscotch

Sophie Cunningham & Anil Tortop



Mango and Hopscotch live in a beautiful tropical forest on the banks of a big river. Together, they munch on grass and lounge in the shade. One day, while the mob graze quietly, drops of rain start to fall. Lightning flashes, thunder rumbles. Soon it is pouring. And then the river bursts its banks ... This is the true tale of a brave kangaroo and her joey rescued from floodwaters. Recommended for ages 3+.

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Practical Art

Art with Markers

Tips & Techniques for Getting the Most out of Your Paint Markers

Angela Pan



Versatile and accessible, acrylic paint markers are the must-have art material for beginner and experienced artists alike. Under the expert guidance of artist and educator Angela Pan, learn how to get to grips with your acrylic marker set and really master the medium. Begin with an introduction to using your markers, with tips on materials, choosing colours and mixing, including specific tips for Posca and Molotow acrylic markers. Next, learn how to draw different kinds of flowers and trees. Once you have these under your belt, move on to 22 step-by-step projects that show you how to create stunning landscapes and city scenes using your acrylic markers.

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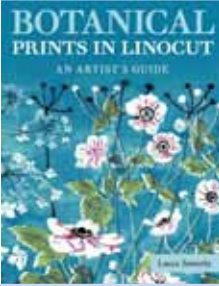
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Botanical Prints in Linocut

An Artist's Guide

Laura Sowerby



This practical guide is for lovers of plants, colour, design and print. Richly illustrated, it explains the full process of making a linocut, from sketch to finished print. It shows how to design with native hedgerow plants or lush garden favourites, whether for small intimate prints or impressive large-scale wallpaper. Written with the author's natural passion and illustrated with her beautiful work, this book is an inspiring guide for all printmakers whatever their experience or ambitions.

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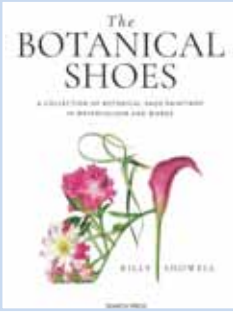
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The Botanical Shoes

A Collection of Botanical Shoe Paintings in Watercolour and Words

Billy Showell



Step into *The Botanical Shoes*, a whimsical, watercolour collection of fantastical footwear, by Billy Showell. Each shoe, composed of vibrant blooms and delicate leaves, and accompanied by thought-provoking poetry and prose, invites you on a journey of the imagination. This captivating collection of watercolour artworks showcases over 50 floral footwear designs. Each delicate shoe, crafted from astonishingly detailed flowers, leaves and botanical elements tells a story of dreams, journeys and the magic of imagination. From floral high heels to botanical boots, each piece in this collection of over 50 singular shoes is a testament to the power of creativity and the boundless inspiration found in nature.

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Planting for Native Birds, Bees and Butterflies

How to Create a Garden That Attracts Australian Wildlife

Jaclyn Crupi



Countless Australian species of birds, bees and butterflies are in decline or threatened with extinction, but you can help. Jaclyn Crupi shows us that protecting and fostering precious native wildlife starts in our own backyards. The first step: start planting! And choose native plants where possible. This alone presents endless opportunities for habitat creation – sometimes it's the smallest actions that make the biggest difference. Providing a well-placed dish of water on a hot day or allowing leaf litter to stay where it falls are among the many other super simple ways you can make your garden more attractive to native species. The book features practical advice with detailed planting plans for all types of gardens, from native to exotic, coastal to food forests.

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Paperback

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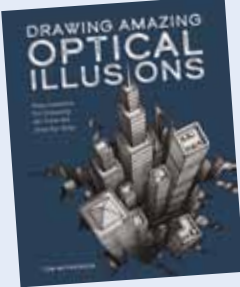
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Drawing Amazing Optical Illusions

Easy Lessons for Drawing 3D Trick Art Step-by-Step

Tom McPherson



Tom McPherson breaks down in simple step-by-step instructions how anyone can create detailed, mesmerizing optical illusions even with little drawing experience. He details how to create cool artwork from scratch by learning basic drawing techniques and progressing to more complex skills and creations, including:

- Impossible Shapes: Optical 3D illusions of shapes that could not exist in reality
- Floating Shapes: Solid shapes that look like they hover above the paper
- 3D Line Art: Inventive 3D illusions on simple lined paper
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Calming, Meditative and Mindful Sticker, Color & Activity Book

Sticker, Color & Activity Book



Soothe your anxiety and embrace the creative side of calm with 500+ stickers, 50+ activity and colouring pages, instructions for relaxing activities and so much more. You can embrace a state of zen as you partake in the mindful and energy-centring activities. Relax, explore your creativity, and add fun to your free time with:

- Exquisitely illustrated stickers
- Enchanting line-drawn colouring pages
- Puzzle games including mazes, sudoku, matching, trivia and more!
- Calming and stress-free activities with instructions including a quick guide to meditation and the art of the zen garden.

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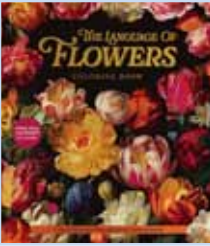
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The Language of Flowers Coloring Book

Take a break from texting and posting to express yourself in the Victorian language of flowers. The Language of Flowers Coloring Book allows you to celebrate this charming tradition in full colour. Immerse yourself in a world of romance with:



- Over 100 delightful designs to colour, featuring beautiful bouquets and posies, garden flowers and wildflowers
- Sample meanings of various blooms and bouquets
- Delicate patterns for colouring on the back of each page.

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128pp

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Thinking in Watercolor

A Daily Practice to Unlock Your Creativity & Discover Your Inner Artist

Jessie Kanelos Weiner



In *Thinking in Watercolor* Jessie Kanelos Weiner encourages you to use the art as a means of self-expression. With 30 days of prompts, she guides you through foundational watercolour techniques and how to adapt them to share your personal experiences: On Day 10 you will illustrate a family recipe; on Day 14 you will go on a scavenger hunt through a local museum. The result is an inspiring, encouraging and creatively challenging practice. As both a commercial illustrator and professional art instructor, the author is uniquely poised to offer insider tips and tricks and clever visualizations of the creative process. And she brings each lesson to life with her vivid illustrations and stories from her life as an ex-pat in Paris. It all adds up to a volume that's at once inspiring, charming and informative – the perfect gift for anyone looking to begin or reignite a personal art practice.

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Sketching Nature

The Beginner's Guide to Keeping a Botanical Sketchbook

Dianne Sutherland



This beautiful yet practical book is aimed at those just starting out in botanical art and nature journaling, as well as more experienced artists looking to evolve their sketching practice.

- Explore a variety of subjects from delicate flowers and towering trees to fascinating insects and their habitats
- Learn to compose your sketches effectively to highlight key features and capture the unique beauty of each specimen
- Experiment with different techniques and materials to add depth and dimension to your work with expert guidance
- Incorporate colour swatches, notes and labels to enhance your sketchbook's educational value and create a lasting record of your observations.

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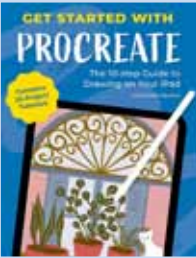
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Get Started with Procreate

The 10-Step Guide to Drawing on Your iPad: Contains 20 Project Tutorials

Liz Kohler Brown



Get Started with Procreate guides the beginner through 20 tutorials, which can be easily personalised, using a 10-step plan to build confidence in working with Procreate tools and techniques. The projects include people, animals, buildings, nature, hand lettering and decorative borders. With easy-to-follow instructions, in full colour and designed to be future-proof for updated versions of Procreate, the book includes a simple guide to getting started as well as providing links to additional colours and custom brushes. Ideal for readers looking for fresh ideas, inspiration and fun projects.

\$44.99

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Fashion Illustration Techniques

A Beginner's Guide for Fashion Designers and Illustrators

Hiroko Fukuchi



This guide for budding fashion designers and illustrators shows you how to draw human figures accurately with a full range of fabrics, garments and accessories. It explains clearly all the techniques used by professional designers and illustrators with hundreds of examples to study and learn from! The detailed chapters in this book present all the essential information you need to know:

- Drawing the Human Figure
- Drawing Fabrics on the Body
- Illustrating and Designing Clothes
- Getting Creative with Colors and Fabrics.

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Painting Luminous Portraits for Artists

An Essential Guide to Painting Facial Features, Fleshtones, Light, and Form

Steve Forster



Painting Luminous Portraits for Artists presents essential lessons on how to paint a radiant likeness in oils in five comprehensive chapters, each with skill-building exercises and QR codes to instructional videos:

- Discover fundamental materials, techniques and basic anatomy and feature development for creating an underdrawing
- Explore colour theory and colour palette structures
- Learn painting techniques, including different shape and lighting approaches
- Consider creative strategies for portraits
- See how digital painting techniques can be used to support and enhance traditional painting techniques. Perfect for artists at all skill levels who want to explore capturing form and light through realistic painting techniques.

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The Artist's Colour Mixing Deck: Watercolour

500 Colour Mixes to Select and Paint

Julie Collins



Take the mystery out of colour mixing with this innovative watercolour card deck from award-winning artist and colour mixing expert Julie Collins. Stunningly simple, yet brilliantly effective.

- 500 unique watercolour mixes to choose from: simply flick through the deck to find the shade you need
- Cards are laminated to make them durable and splash-proof
- The 16-page booklet contains an essential watercolour guide to understanding and mixing colour to get you started. The small and sturdy box is perfect for taking with you if you are painting en plein air
- All the paints used are readily available from the Winsor & Newton range or can be easily substituted with other popular brands.

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Accessory

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Craft

Rag Manifesto

Making, Folklore and Community

Rachael Matthews



The *Rag Manifesto* is a unique, artist's view of the traditional art of rag rug making for this age of the Anthropocene. The book helps to break down all fears of what to do next with the rag pile. The stuff you loved can stay with you forever and the stuff you hated can be loved and laughed over in ways you never thought possible. Includes the techniques of plaiting; Welsh weaving sticks; peg loom; rigid heddle weaving; proddy on hessian; loomless weaving and passementerie. This special book deals with the urgent need to find ways of relating with textiles that, instead of contributing to social injustice and environmental degradation, actively contribute to the world. Stories change the future. The stories in this book are already changing things. They are about caring and repairing our places and communities with imagination, action and each other.

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