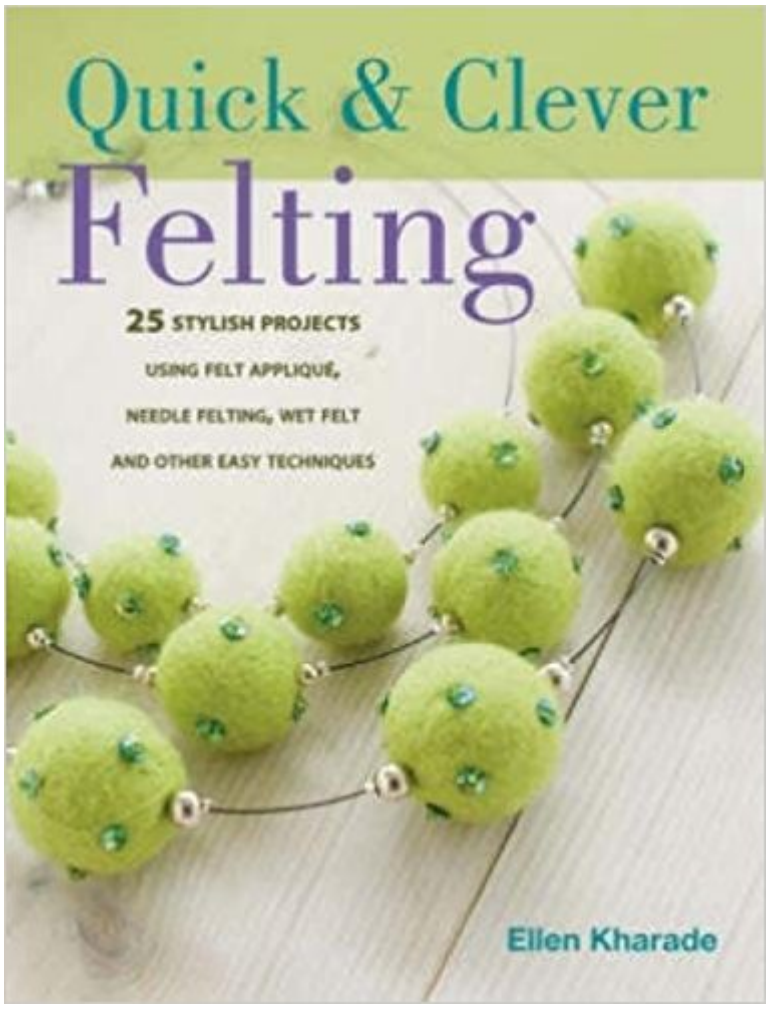
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Synopsis

Readers will be inspired by the fresh, contemporary approach to the world's oldest textile fabric with this fabulous collection of stylish, quick-to-make felted fabric projects in Quick & Clever Felting. A range of easy-to-follow techniques including needle felting, wet felting, fulling and using store-bought felt fabric are explored though projects such as jewelry, flower corsages, bags, slippers, cushions and more. Variation ideas show readers how easy it is to adapt main projects for personal appeal and each stunning project can be completed in less than a day - a must for any busy crafter.

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Customer Reviews

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I would have given this book 4 stars for its explanations of techniques at the beginning, but only 2 stars for the projects.I bought it because I was interested in the Fair Isle bag made from a favorite sweater. And there was a large color picture of it with a few suggestions about cutting the front and back rectangles on a slight slant to make it more interesting, as well as suggestions for handles. It didn't tell me a thing I couldn't have already figured out for myself.The "Favorite Jumper (cardigan) Bag" had 5 whole pages of pictures and directions, but I can't say I thought the finished product

looked at all professional (i.e., like anything I would care to carry around). Some other bags were really cute or of an interesting construction (one, in particular, had a piece of felt cut out to reveal a flower and rabbit pattern, which was to be laid on top of a contrasting color of felt, but how were these layers to be held together?--by GLUE! Not a recipe for something you could clean or wash when it got soiled. In fact, that was the problem with most of the bags. I presume that careful washing in cold water with no agitation might work for the ones made from felted old sweaters, but I am dubious about the possibility of washing the bags made from ready-made felt, and they look like they would probably soon show soiling.I actually disliked the looks of the felted corsage flowers, but there was an interesting suggestion for making a felted closure for the Snowflake Tote Bag (which was pretty, though as with some other things, the motifs were to be GLUED ON. UGH!).The BEST PARTS of this book, for me, were at the beginning. There are explanations with good accompanying photos, of Wet felting, Needle felting, Working a solid shape in needle felting, Creating a solid mounded shape (in this case, birds, which did not impress me, but still, it's good to know the basic technique), Needle felting around a former, such as a polystyrene ball, and Making a hollow shape. I will be keeping the book for the sake of these directions, not for any of the projects in it. But I will admit that the booties are really cute, and it was interesting how the author created felt with two sides in different colors so that the booties, as well as a pair of really cute "jester-type" slippers, although made of a single piece of felt, looked as if they had a lining.On the other hand, how long will a person be able to enjoy baby booties that are hard to keep clean?Also in the book's favor: one page of suppliers and another with an index. Most of the suppliers are in the UK, and only 1/3 of them in the USA.

Fabulously cute book with wonderful ideas for all kinds of felt, wool projects. I've really enjoyed this book & am so pleased to have received it in the fantastic condition it came in & the wonderful ideas you can tweak to make your very own. I truly love this book-Thank You so very much for another wonderful book!

This book relies heavily on pre-made felt. I was hoping for more of an art book and got a craft book for beginners who will probably never take it to a level past cute crafty things.

I make lots of crafts using felt and the most tedious thing to do is make felt balls. This book provides simple instructions for making them uniform and it gives examples for embellishing them. Love the book.

This is a good book for someone who is starting out in felting as I am. Lots of good info and helps as well as ideas on things to make.

I have enjoyed looking at this book, and have seen several projects that look useful and practical as well as 'cute', which will be worth the time and effort to create. The step by step guide is clearly illustrated and easy to understand. I would recommend it.

I have just become addicted to felting. This book helps bring outmy inner felting deva. Really great book with lots of ideas.Thanks

Interesting projects that are explained clearly.

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