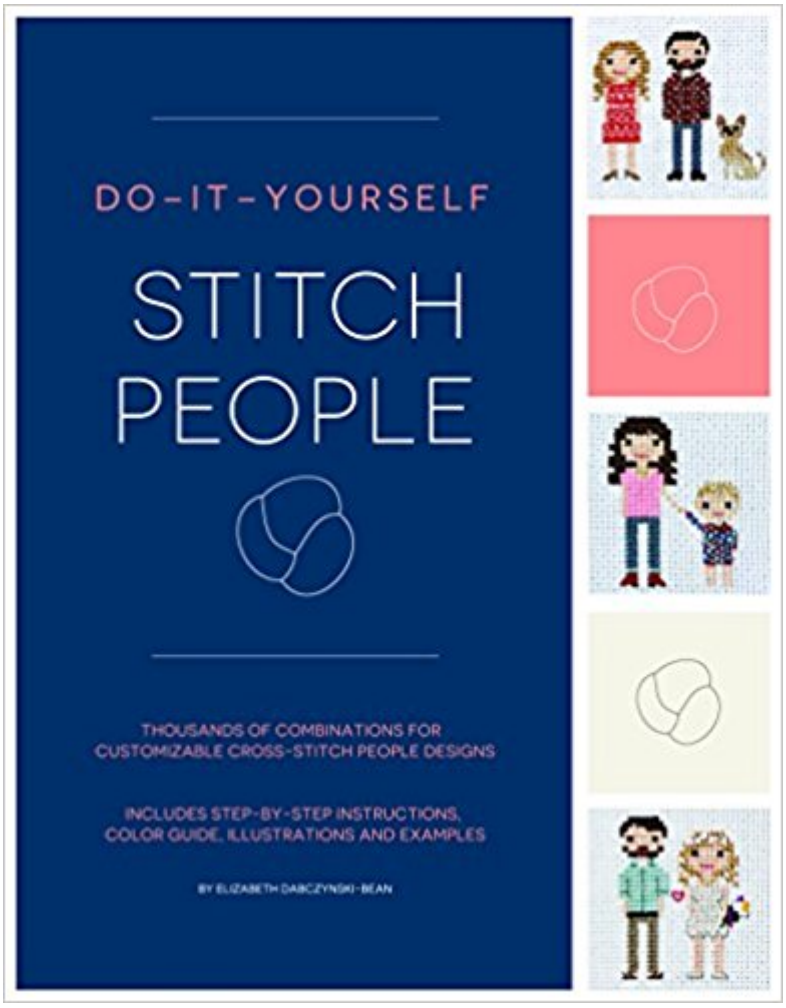
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Synopsis

Available through !Now you can make your own cross-stitch family portraits! Do-It Yourself Stitch People will not only introduce beginning embroiderers to the world of cross stitch, but also will provide hours of enjoyment to cross stitch experts. Do-It-Yourself- Stitch People contains hundreds of Stitch People designs, making thousands of design combinations available.Perfect for personal projects and thoughtful gifts, Stitch People portraits are fully customizable, down to every last detail. The text contains patterns for men, women, children, cats, dogs, and and much more, as well as information to help you compile your pattern, and frame your finished work. Using clear, easy-to-understand diagrams, pictures, and instructions, you'll see how easy it is to design and complete a professional-looking Stitch People portrait.Whether you're creating a portrait for yourself, or as a gift for a loved one, Do-It-Yourself Stitch People will have you ready to design and stitch your personal Stitch People portraits in no time! With Do-It-Yourself Stitch People you will be up and going in no time creating your own personalized Stitch People portraits!

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Customer Reviews

I just got the book. OH MY GOSH I haven't been this excited about anything in a very long time!! The book is gorgeous, I am so GRATEFUL it is spiral bound (I take my quilting books to Office Depot to switch them to spiral). I've just thumbed through it, but love it already. And I just turned down lunch with friends so I could read it cover to cover during my lunch hour! --Marie JeffriesI just went through the DIY Stitch-People book and I just had to let you know it's seriously amazing! I can't wait to surprise my husband with a portrait. We have 2 standard poodles and I love the pattern for them. I can't wait to stitch them up. Thank you so much for sharing your incredible talent! --Erin FairI

just had to take a minute to say how beautiful the book is! I have been cross-stitching since I was 5 (so, 32 years!), and I have stitched quite a few family portraits for family and friends since Martha Stewart Living published some templates a few years ago. But this book has completely inspired me all over again -- the ideas and variations are amazing. I stitched a family portrait for us in 2011, and I am going to do another one this year using the book. I've had so much fun paging through to find the perfect hairstyles and clothes for my kids. Also, I am a journalist by training (and therefore very picky about the written word), and I am so impressed with the quality of the book. It's been so much fun to see people embracing cross-stitch as a contemporary craft. I am a knitter too, and it seems that craft had its renaissance earlier. I'm so glad cross-stitch is "cool" now! --Becky Sher

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Update - 1/29/17 - The author graciously sent me a new copy of the book! The pages have been upgraded to a nicer, heavier, slicker paper stock and the cover is glossy and heavier weight as well. It seems like it will be much more durable. This is a wonderful improvement to a great book. I really appreciate that she contacted me personally and sent me a new upgraded copy. Changing my review to 5 stars!This book is great as a how-to guide. The figures turn out really cute and the instructions on how to customize them are really good.The only thing that surprised me was the paper the book was printed on. The book was very expensive and I did not expect it to be printed on such thin paper. The pages don't seem like they will be very durable with much use. I would have been happier if it had higher quality - thicker or laminated - pages. If the book is to continue being sold at such a high price, the quality of the pages needs to improve a lot.

I absolutely love this book! I was on the fence at first about purchasing it due to the price point, but it is definitely worth it. It surpassed my expectations and I would recommend this book to anyone who is interested in creating stitch people. Before purchasing this book, I tried to create a cross stitch portrait with what patterns I could find on the internet and it turned out awful! After buying this book I attempted again and with all its helpful hints an numerous combinations of hair styles and clothing

options, it turned out fantastic. The book also includes cats and dogs, some accessories and access to newly created patterns e-mailed out by the author (some of my very favorites!).

I've only just started, but I'm in love with this book. Seriously, its way better than I ever expected (and I had high hopes in the first place). I love all the little details and helpful hints (things like spacing, when to do 1,2 or 3 strands of floss) throughout the book that I would have otherwise had to figure out by trial and error. This book is so helpful, but allows me to be really creative beyond the templates.

You may look at the purchase price and hesitate like I did...but don't make my mistake. I could have been enjoying this book all this time!! I LOVE it. I finally ordered it recently and it came a couple of days ago. There are so many options...it feels they are endless...hair, clothes, shoes, accessories, dogs and cats...you can create portraits that really look like who you want them to!!Even better, once you've purchased the book, you have access to the extras area of the webpage which includes some fun things such as a baby sitting and a basic military uniform!I ran right out the morning after I received this to buy some more grid paper and immediately sketched out our wedding portrait (included here minus our family name) and then our family portait including our son, 2 dogs, and cat!! Too much fun!!!I then purchased her Farm Animals book...lol. Chickens would be perfect in my sisters family portrait!! And she has a new book coming out soon...Occupations...which I seriously cannot wait to get!!! I'm SO excited to see everything in it!!!Bottom line...buy this book. Now. Don't wait!! I'm having as much fun designing as I will stitching!!

My wife loves the book! The author sent her a personal email thanking her for her purchase. She has been corresponding with the author!She is using the book information to do a cross-stitch of our family.

Pricy but I LOVE IT. Spiral bound with high quality printing and paper. I very much love the access to her website for additional patterns ans the graphing sheets for your own pattern reference. I've been cross-stitching for many years and still find these patterns helpful and worth the cost. Truly cuts down on the time spent making your own.

OMG, so much fun. I can pick body type, hair (or lack there of), facial features, clothes and it becomes my georgeous 6ft. tall son. Cute, tiny, pixie face, funky clothes, attitude, hair style and it

becomes my adorable. If you cross stitch and want to get creative, this book is worth the price. You WILL enjoy it.

Overall, great book. The content is definitely what I expected and is exactly what I was looking for. My only complaints are this: 1) I asked for 1 day shipping and it came late - but I blame that more on . 2) the back cover had plasticky splotches on it like something had melted onto the protective covering and then adhered to another piece of paper. The edging of the back cover was also ragged.So content: great, physical manifestation: not so great...

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