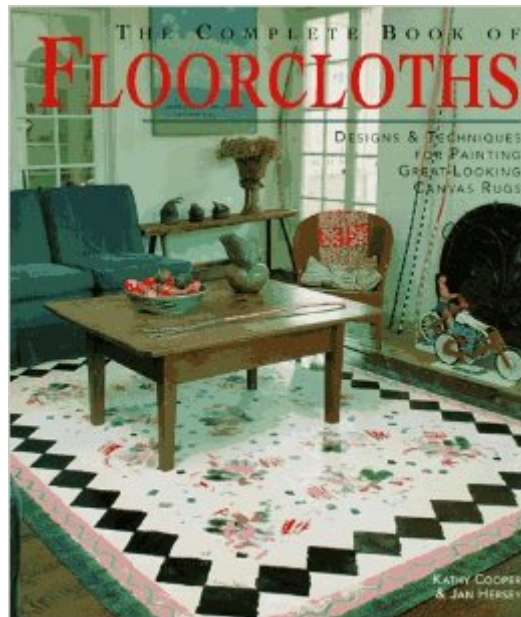


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# The Complete Book Of Floorcloths: Designs & Techniques For Painting Great-Looking Canvas Rugs



## Synopsis

Transform a piece of canvas into the focal point of any room with water-based paints, a sewing machine, standard painting tools, and 10 simple steps. Ten projects, ranging from tight geometric patterns to free-form squiggles and whimsical shapes, can be easily completed by even the most artistically challenged. The most intricate-looking are surprisingly the easiest to make. 144 pages, 260 color illus., 50 b/w illus., 8 1/2 x 10.

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I love this book. In the first place, it's just a beautiful publication--very well written and designed, and loaded with examples of gorgeous floorcloths by many artists. I borrowed it from the library just to look at the pictures, then decided I had to buy a copy for myself! Secondly, the instructions are wonderfully clear and precise (I've written and edited instructional manuals, so I know good instructions when I see them.)I've made one floorcloth and have started a second. This is practically the first time in my 49 years that I have actually completed a craft project, and I'm thrilled with myself, with my new floorcloth (now on my bathroom floor) and with this book. Anyone who is interested in floorcloths surely would want a copy.

I borrowed this book from a friend and had to buy a copy for myself. It gets your right-brain in high gear. If you're looking for the cutesy, folksy arts & crafts flowing out of China these days, forget this one. But if you like to create and like the unique, this is it. Even if you've never did a cloth before,

this book will show you step by step and lead you to create a work of art!

I purchased this book on a whim. After reading it cover to cover, I mustered up the nerve to purchase materials for my first floorcloth. This book took me step-by step through the process and I now have a wonderful custom floorcloth which enhances my home at a fraction of what I would have spent had I purchased it at an interior design retailer. I can't wait to do one for my dining room. The illustrations are beautiful and varied. There is a huge variety of floorcloths represented here, truly something for everyone's decorating style. I found the book to be inspirational not just for making floorcloths but also for decorative floor painting ideas--I adapted one design to an ugly, odd shaped plywood floor in my home, transforming the room. This book also has appeal for those who merely wish to peruse different art forms. I brought it to work one day and as it was being passed around "ooh's and aah's" came from most who studied it. My friends loved it, and though they wouldn't dream of picking up a paintbrush, they got lots of ideas...But, for those of us who enjoy the creative process, this book is loaded with straight forward instructions, many beautiful illustrations and tons of inspiration making it easy to dive in and have some fun.

Kathy Cooper has done a great job with step by step instructions on how to measure, sew and prepare the surface for a floor cloth. Very helpful! However; I was a little disappointed in the design examples. They were good designs, but I was looking for something a little more traditional.

This was my 1st purchase with ! I loved the book! I took a class on floorclothes and this book was recommended. I learned things that were never taught in the class. I thought that I knew all that there was to know about the craft!! recommend trying this book!

Good detail on the craft and a great source of inspiration if you like contemporary designs. If you do not, you will probably be disappointed.

Took a while to get here but it seems like a good find/buy... gave me some practical/useful information and (new) creative ideas. At first I thought all the "history" information was a little too much, but reading it a second time I really enjoy knowing where they started and by whom they were used and for what purposes :)

I love making my own decorations but I like to finish projects that look tasteful and as nice (or better)

than anything I could buy. You can't go wrong with this book, whether you are just starting out or looking for a larger challenge. There are some easier projects as well as ones that are more difficult. You could spend years using this book and not run out of ideas. Plenty of full-color photos, step by step directions and techniques. Worth every penny you spend on this one!

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