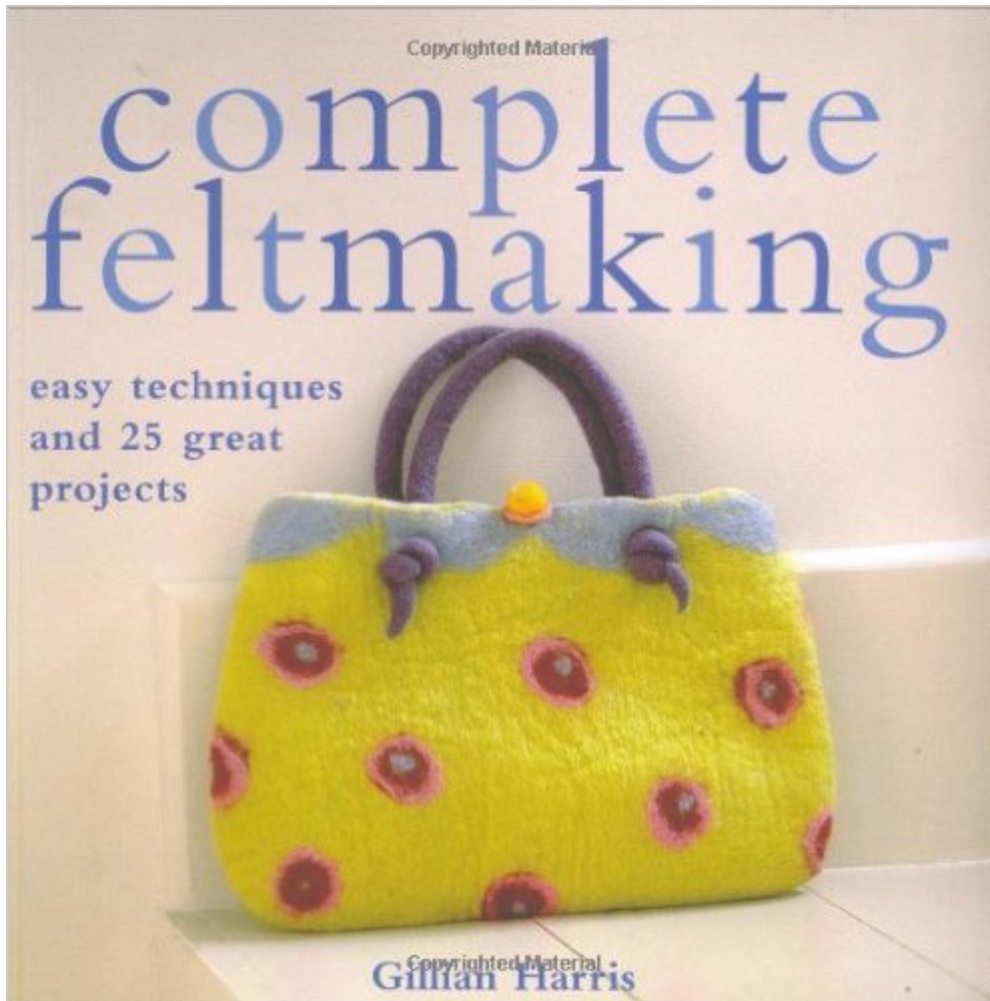


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# Complete Feltmaking: Easy Techniques And 25 Great Projects



## Synopsis

Felt is an ancient craft, dating back to the Bronze Age. It is the oldest textile fabric and was made before people learned to spin, weave or knit. Hand-made felt has an entirely different quality to the machine-made felt found in craft stores. It is a chunky, more hardwearing and can be made in a variety of designs and colors- it does not fray, so no sewing is required. And any crafter can learn the art of creating felt with a little fleece, water and soap. This exciting new book covers all aspects of feltmaking, from making simple flat felt to felting 3-d shapes, as well as felting knitted work, needle felting and some more advanced techniques. Each technique is carefully explained in detail with step-by-step instructions and photographs. The several projects accompanying each technique also have full instructions and step-by-step photography. From a cheerful polka-dot bag and cozy felted slippers to a whimsical fish mobile and cozy heart shaped rug , this valuable primer offers a wide range of projects making it an ideal book for crafters of all skill levels seeking to add fashionable felted projects to their wardrobe and home.

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## Customer Reviews

I own 8 felting books but if I had to give up 6 of them this is one of the keepers. Finally here is a book that doesn't insult one's aesthetic with cutesy projects that seem more suited to preteens. Instead the author showcases great designs with a very clear idea from start to finish of what you need for a project, what will be entailed to finish it and great photos all along the way. The basic technique given at the beginning will serve you through out the book and should be memorized - or copied, enlarged and put up on your wall until you have it committed to memory. The list of

resources is fantastic - except there is no "Balfour Farm" as is listed. Another great felting book to have is "Feltmaking and Wool Magic" by Jorie Johnson, which is much more comprehensive but not as user friendly as the photos are small.

I purchased this book not really knowing what to expect and what I got, to my surprise, was awesome! It's a well written book, beautifully photographed, with very nice inspiring projects. Super colorful! Great variety!! Ideal for all skill levels and the projects are categorized in the book that way. I always find that very helpful when trying to determine which project to attempt first. What a great book!! It's a keeper in my library! Not a moments regret here at all!

This book presents a nice, comprehensive overview of felting - both wet and dry - The pictures are beautiful and each step in the process is clearly explained. I was not terribly impressed with the projects included, however - kind of basic and a little boring. But, still worth owning if you intend to explore this art form.

I was given this book as a gift a while ago and was a bit intimidated to try it out, as I am not the craftiest person around. Luckily I did try, and have been thrilled with the results. The bag I made always get compliments, and whenever I go out people always ask where I got it. It's lovely to tell them I made it, and they can too. CF is easy to read and the steps are clearly laid out and easy to follow. I also recommend making a cheat sheet of the basic steps, until you are comfortable with them. That way you don't have to keep opening the book/turning pages while you hands are soapy/wet. The design ideas in the book are a good launching point for other designs, so don't be afraid to make to customize the look to your tastes. I highly recommend this book as a great entry into felt making. I am so excited to try the wall hanging and eventually the slippers for this fall (spoiler alert to my family

Found this book at a book store & paid full price! I wish I had found it here! It's a great book with tons of ideas, has instructions on wet & needle felting as well as knitted felting. I especially like the bright colored projects that are "today's styles". I think it's one of the nicer felting books I have!

Thorough and complete in every category - this book on feltmaking will get everyone interested in felting to explore one or more of the ways to develop quality felt products. The projects provided in the book are great and tempting to do - perfect for those wanting to learn the subject. Plus the

dynamic colors used in nearly every project add to the inspiration provided by the author. Get this book and maybe one more if you can only afford a few books on the subject...and remember, other authors may focus on one technique to the exclusion of others, while this author does not. So perhaps, choose this book first and then find another book, more advanced perhaps, in the felting technique you like best. But don't forget, this author includes some unique advanced projects to sink your felting activities into! Excellent!

I have been felt making now for 10 years, so i am most likely being a tad unfair with only giving four stars. I bought this book on the cover as the bag colours and style got my interest. It is a good introduction too the three hobby felt styles- needle , knitting, and wet including nuno felt. Colours are bright and infomation easy to understand.

If it wasn't for the fact that returning the book would not be cost effective, return it I would. This book is nowhere near as good as it is touted to be. The step by step instructions leave things out and are often just plain confusing. I bought this book with the brilliant Uniquely Felt (which was how I came to understand that Complete Feltmaking was nowhere near complete. The projects are uninspired and nowhere did I read that I would be expected to knit the items prior to felting (not all pieces but a good portion require knitting skills).As a woman in her middle-years I have no use of baby booties, crib blankets or fish mobiles. And because I am the mother of three I see how useless booties and crib blankets are for a newborn (blankets are no longer suggested due to strangulation fears and no child yet has ever kept booties on. Advanced techniques include: a scarf, a shawl, adult slippers (look like booties), a felted bowl, and a wallhanging...yawn!Perhaps I am getting jaded but there was just nothing exciting here. I was really disappointed. You can find better instructions (and projects) for free on You Tube. The book will sit gathering dust on my bookcase. It is too badly written for a complete beginner (so not a good gift) and not advanced enough for any of us who have dabbled in the craft without instruction. So sad, I had high expectations.

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