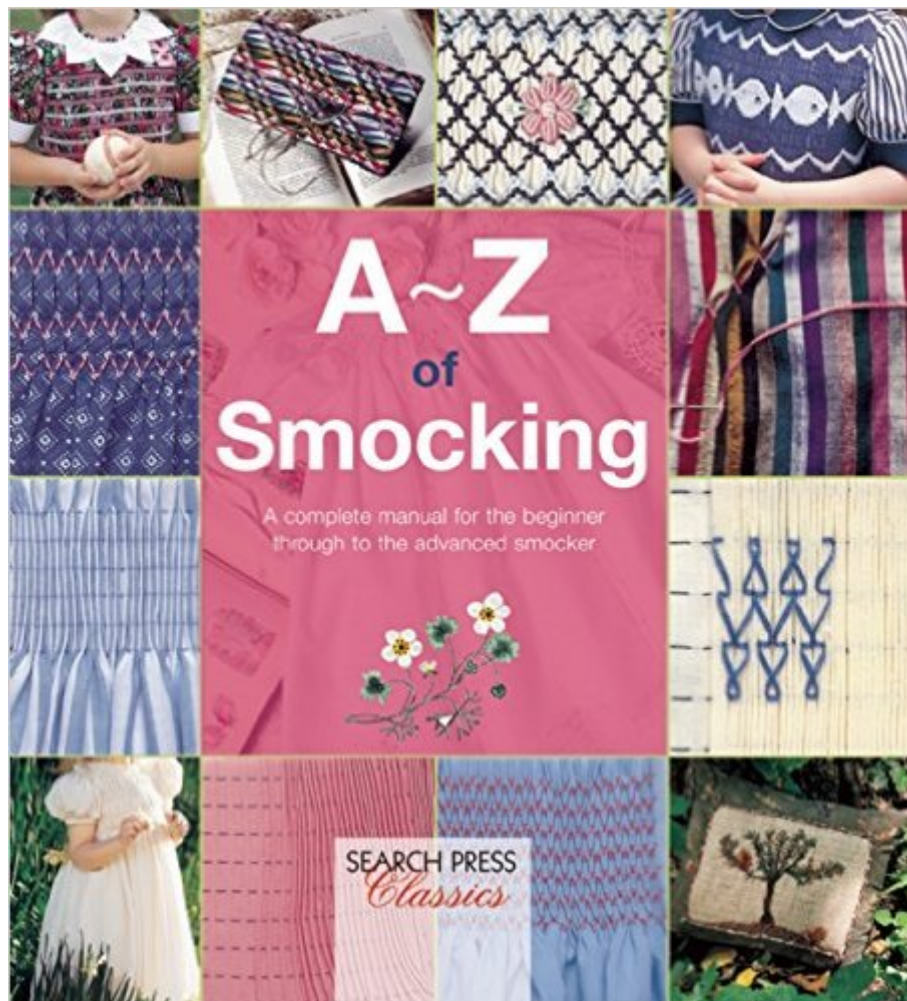


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This is a beautifully illustrated book with probably all of the information one would need to do a variety of smocked pieces. I won a Pullen pleater for a nice low bid on eBay because it came with no directions. This book more than compensated for that, although the pleater is easy to use. The book supplied so much more information than the directions available on YouTube. I highly

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One of the best guides

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