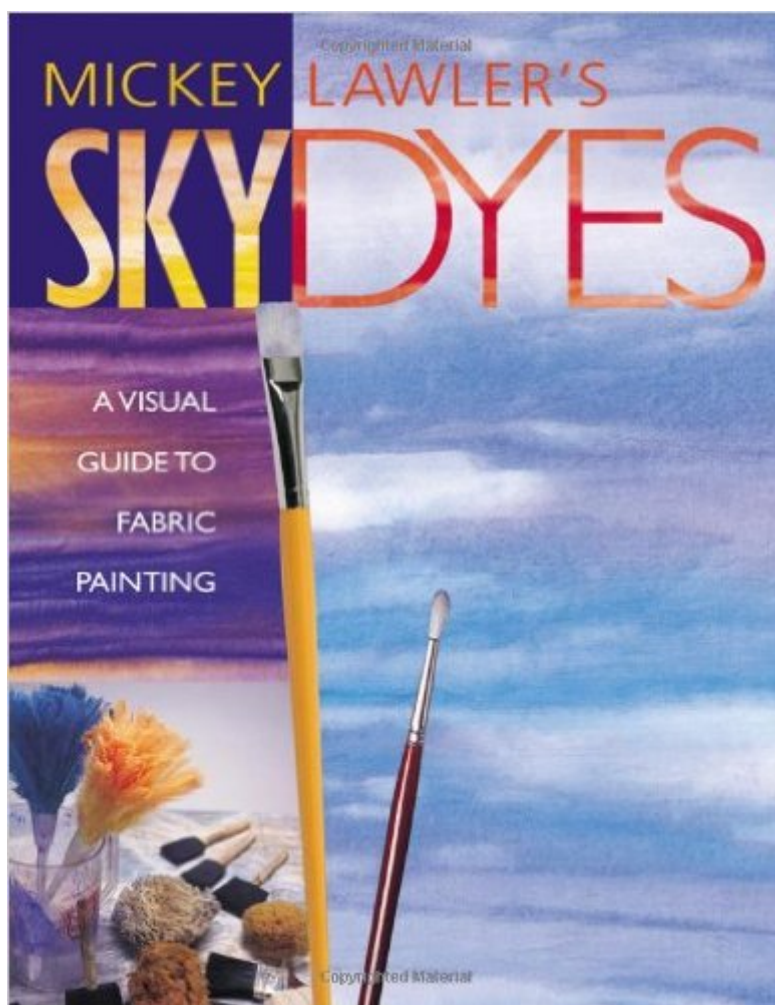


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Skydyes: A Visual Guide To Fabric Painting



Synopsis

Perfect for beginning fabric painters and those who have dabbled with fabric paints. Easy exercises show how to create skies, earth, seas, and gardens. Includes a quilt project, too!

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Customer Reviews

This is a wonderful book that will allow you to easily create magnificent painted skies, sunsets, gardens, landscapes & seascapes on fabric. Throughout the book, photos of beautiful & unique landscape quilts will inspire you. The author shows how, by using the right materials and some simple techniques, anyone can achieve beautiful and dramatic results even if they have no actual painting talent or ability. The basics of supplies, fabric preparation, & color mixing are covered first. Then, each technique is demonstrated & explained with clear step-by-step instructions accompanied by color photos. In the back, there are complete instructions for a gorgeous vertical row harbor quilt. The resource list is a nice bonus. I highly recommend this book for any quilter or fabric painter.

After taking a fabric dying class one hot summer in the back parking lot of a favorite quilt shop, I fell in love with creating my own fabric for quilting and wearable art. When my teacher never came back to teach more I went looking for directions. Of course I had tie dyed in the 60's, did Batik in the 70's but never created my own sky fabric for my own lighthouse vest. So, I borrowed, purchased and reviewed many different books on Fabric painting until I found Skydyes. Mickey gave me the information on getting the right materials to create that perfect sun set, Cannon Beach

rocks, and the wild Oregon surf! Create the fabric that you see in your own mind's eye! You can do it!

I was reluctant to buy this book because there were only two reviews, and I usually like to have a little more of an idea on books I can't actually look at myself, but this book is fabulous. I thought it was about dying fabrics, because when most people refer to fabric painting they mean painting on fabric with dye; this book really means paint. Mickey uses fabric paints that still leave the fabric soft to the touch, not rough. The talent and inspirational pictures and examples in this book simply are breathtaking. I can't wait to buy the paints and begin. I think this book will do very well with *Piecing* by Ruth McDowell, which I also purchased. Thank you Mickey for a book that was worth the cost, ten times over.

I am kinda new to fabric painting and this book has become my go-to manual for mixing colors, paints to use and all types of technical knowledge. She walks you through the steps with pictures of each step. This is mostly about painting skies and backgrounds, but there are some other choices, like painting abstract flowers, ground covers and water. I have learned so much from this book and have used the skills to create some pretty amazing fabric. I rarely buy commercial fabric anymore, I would rather design my own since she has shown me how easy it is. I also depend on another book, "Off-The-Shelf Fabric Painting" by Sue Beevers. It has tons of techniques with easy directions.

An inspiring and well written book that takes the guess work and mystery out of creating your own fabrics. Mickey's style is user-friendly, approachable and encouraging. The illustrations are good and Mickey's own fabric creations will inspire the reader to try their hand at this art form. I highly recommend this book!

I highly recommend this book for quilters, novice painters. I love painting on canvas, but I never thought about painting on fabric before. This book is fantastic. If you like quilting, it offers great advice for making panels for quilting. I discovered painting t-shirts through this book. It offers many suggestions for techniques you can use. One of my favorites is scattering material with salt. You can use various size salt - sprinkle a bit of table salt around a painting, sprinkle sea salt chunks over the painting, get some snow salt pieces, break them into smaller pieces (though use the pieces that are larger than the sea salt chunks) and sprinkle them around. Mist with a water mister bottle. The

effects are beautiful. Please be advised that the book teaches rather abstract paintings, and shows how to use pieces for quilting. However, some of the other reviewers tell readers, "I never knew that I could paint before." Mickey Lawler (sp?) really does make it easy.

This author gives very concise and understandable directions. Her creations are breath taking and inspiring and makes you want to jump into the worlds she creates. But, wait.....we can create them, too because of the way she directs us. Very good book!

I love everything that Mickey Lawler does. This book is easy to follow and the results are fabulous. I enjoy her techniques and can't wait for winter to end so I can get outside and start whipping out my lineup of newly dyed fabrics like she does!

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