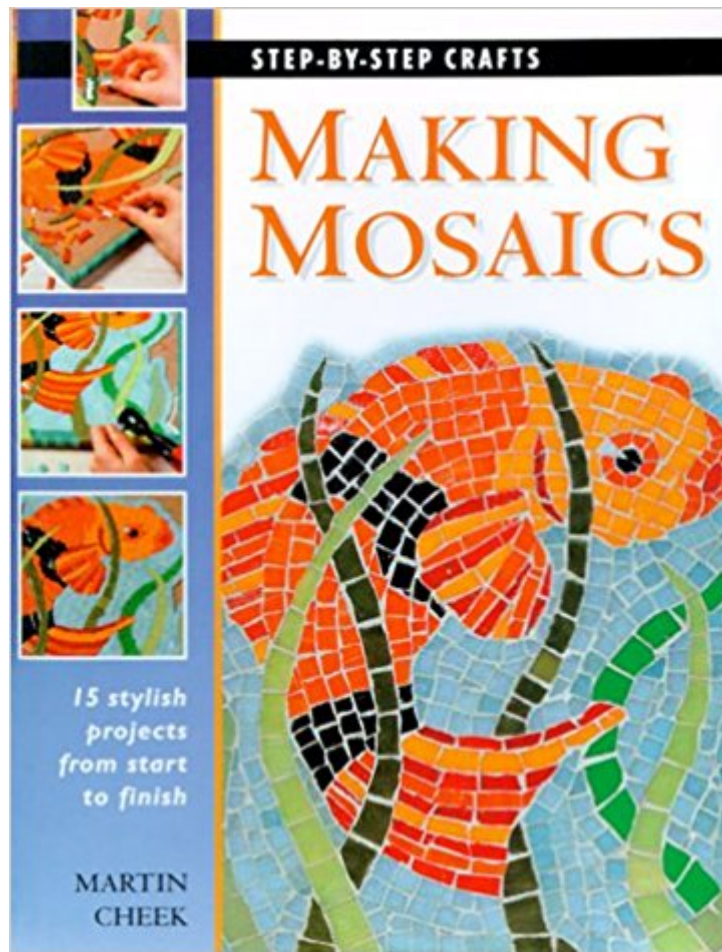


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Making Mosaics: 15 Stylish Projects From Start To Finish (Step-by-Step Crafts)



Synopsis

With Making Mosaics, readers will learn not only the basics of the craft, they will also find step-by-step instructions for 15 attractive projects they can make themselves. A Getting Started section clearly outlines the materials and tools used to make each project, and provides how-to techniques for nipping tiles, prepping surfaces, laying tile and grouting. The 15 projects were designed to offer variety in styles, materials, and skill levels.

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Surprisingly, the word `mosaic' has no literal translation. Some scholars have suggested that it means `crazy', which even if not absolutely accurate, seems to be entirely appropriate at times. Mosaic is certainly enjoying something of a renaissance at the moment. I have been running three-day mosaic courses for five years now and their popularity has grown as the public have slowly realised that they, too, can make beautiful mosaics for themselves. It never fails to amaze me that what appears at first glance to be such an inflexible material, can produce results that are so stylistically different and individual. The Italian master mosaicists had to train for many years before being allowed to tackle big public works. Understandably, they were (and still are) very secretive about their techniques. What they would think of a three-day mosaic course (or this book, which for some projects works on the principle that a weekend can be a `long weekend' - three days) is not worth repeating, but the fact remains that wonderful things can be, and are achieved in this short

space of time. So let's let the mosaics speak for themselves. About The Projects In this Book. The projects in this book have been chosen to show the wide range of styles, materials and techniques available to the modern mosaicist. Choose the projects that suit your temperament - it is unlikely that someone who feels drawn to the 'Gaudiesque' style of using great big chunks of broken pottery is also going to enjoy the painstaking work involved in nibbling fine detail for an intricate design. I strongly recommend that you read the chosen project through carefully before you start. There's nothing more maddening than to have to stop work because you have forgotten a vital piece of equipment.

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