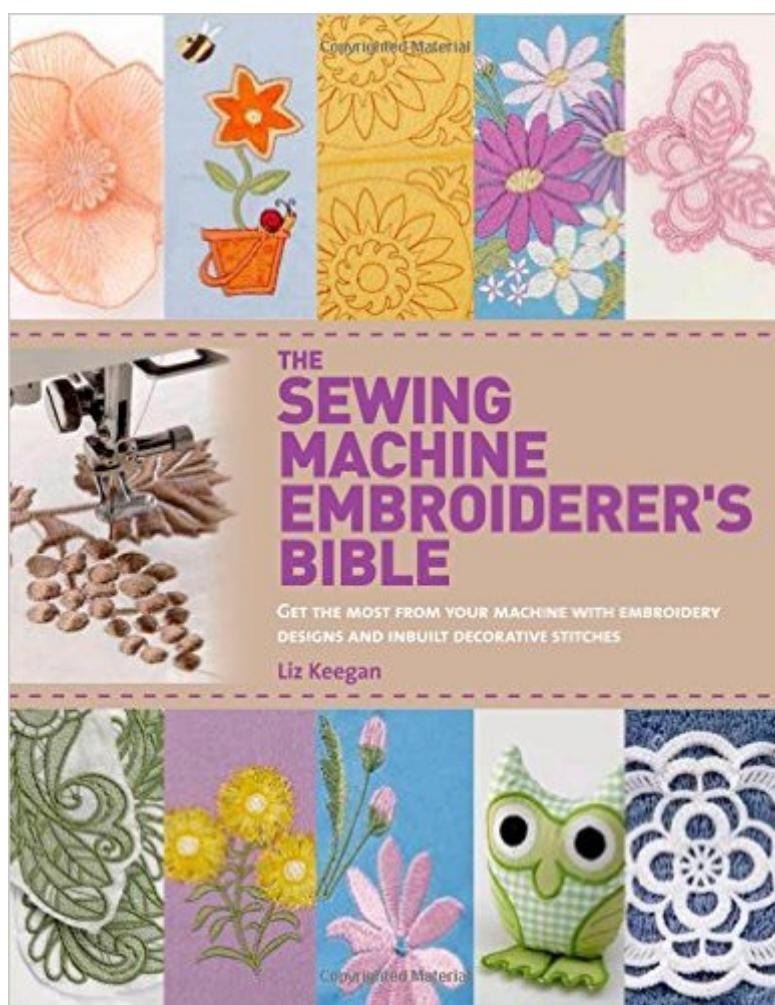


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# The Sewing Machine Embroiderer's Bible: Get The Most From Your Machine With Embroidery Designs And Inbuilt Decorative Stitches



## Synopsis

Here is all the help needed to get the most out of your sewing machine's embroidery functions, including details about the types and formats of available designs, how to get these designs off the internet and onto your machine, how to stabilize your fabric, which threads and needles to use to get the best results, and of course how to use the patterns creatively for stunning results. It also provides guidance for making use of the built-in embroidery stitches that modern sewing machines offer, but which are mostly forgotten about and underused. The focus is non-brand specific, so you can follow along no matter what model you have. A comprehensive section covers the details of editing, organizing, and saving your designs to transferring designs between your computer and sewing machine, downloading from the internet, and much more. Also included are step-by-step instructions showing how to create a wide variety of embroidery designs from heirloom, free standing, 3D, fancy lettering, trapunto, and everything in between, plus how to use and place your designs exactly where you want them on any project. "Idea Files" provide inspiration with close-up images of the designs used in a variety of ways. With expert advice about what to look for when buying a new machine and a troubleshooting section for solving common mistakes and problems, this guide will help you get the most out of your modern sewing machine.

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## Customer Reviews

This book met all my expectations as a novice machine embroiderer. It is small enough to hold, includes the basics of using a computer; has great tutorials, and graphic pictures, and has the basics of the process along with cheat sheets for fabrics and stabilizers. Worth both my time and

money, and I will use frequently as a reference book.

If you are new to machine embroidery, this book is a really good reference item. The section about stabilizers and how and when to use them, and how to hoop makes this book a worthwhile investment!

Full disclosure: I was chosen a Goodreads First Reads winner, and received a paperback copy of *The Sewing Machine Embroiderer's Bible* in the mail. That in no way influenced this review: Elizabeth Keegan has been sewing for years, and that is certainly evident in this very well organized and very complete book on machine embroidery. She begins with a chapter on embroidery machines and computers, which is really useful (especially if you, like me, have a 1970s machine with embroidery stitch cams and don't know much at all about the developments that have taken place since that time period!) and very thorough. The second chapter is also very helpful, because it covers all of the "tools" (including types of stabilizer fabrics and threads, for example) that are needed before beginning a project, and includes very useful info on which ones work well with what fabrics. The third and fourth chapters are full of fun stuff -- designs and stitches, ideas for projects, and lots of excellent advice. All throughout the book, there are plenty of photos and diagrams to accompany the discussions and explanations. This is going to be a very useful reference book for me. My thanks to St. Martin's Press for the opportunity to read this creative and well written book!

This book is truly an embroiderer's bible. It contains information that you can't even find in your machine's manual. Instructions are explicit. I read it cover to cover before I un-crated my new embroidery machine. It was by far much more interesting than reading the machine's manual. I love it.

This book is wonderful. I took it to embroidery seminar. Many of people at the table made notes so they could buy. The employee at the store where it was held did too- so they could get it. Actually, five stars are not enough. If you are a machine embroiderer, BUY IT!

I'm a beginner, I needed the terminology and an explanation along with something I could refer back to. This book told me what I needed to know.

Excellent. A good guide no matter what brand of Embroidery Machine

I am new to embroidery and made it a point to go through the book to get a general idea of what to do and expect. I love the fact that it contains many pictures in color as well as a detailed description of the procedure as well as tips for success

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