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Crafting With Wood Pallets: Projects For Rustic Furniture, Decor, Art, Gifts And More



Synopsis

CREATIVE DESIGNS FOR ONE-OF-A-KIND, UPCYCLED PROJECTS USING THE WORLD'S MOST WIDELY AVAILABLE RECLAIMED WOOD

Crafting with Wood Pallets offers readers innovative new projects for transforming wood pallets into all types of beautiful, useful items for the home and garden. Packed with color photos and easy-to-follow instructions for over 25 DIY projects, this book shows how to build, paint, and finish unique gifts, decor, and furniture, including:

- Cute jewelry organizer
- Rustic coffee table
- Chic wine bar
- Family chalkboard
- Inspiring word art
- Handy step stool

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Customer Reviews

I've been following her blog and pinning her projects on Pinterest for quite sometime. Her book is great for beginners and experts alike. It has great tips to get you started, she is so creative and I admire her work so much! I've been so fortunate to find her ideas and have them inspire me within my own home, it's very difficult finding furniture in Okinawa so this book and her blog have been an amazing help in furnishing our home with the little resources we have on this island. This book is definitely worth checking out!

One of my hobbies is browsing the free section on Craigslist, and I've recently been noticing a lot of pallets up for grabs. Continuing with this train of thought, I called some local businesses (grocery

stores, home depot, etc.) to see if they had pallets to give away as well. I wanted to make something with all this wood, but I wasn't sure what, so I bought this book. I was really happy that it offered suggestions on where to get pallets, and many of the suggestions lined up with my own searching, and was most excited that it included a section on pallet quality. One of the things I had trouble with on my own was collecting a lot of pallets, and having discrepancies in quality, size, and color. Thanks to this book I now know why! Beyond this basic information I was quite happy with the things this book recommends to build with pallets. The projects range from easy (key hanger) to pretty hard (wine bar), and each instruction is easy to follow. Lamb also includes overviews of all the tools one may need while working with pallets, and includes which auxiliary parts may be necessary (metal hooks, etc.). I also love that Lamb includes ideas for what to do with pallet scraps such as a memory game. Since one of the main reasons I got this book was to reduce global waste, and get into recycling wood into art, I very much like her 'use every part approach.' Very cool book for the handyperson of any age! Could see it being a really fun time for a dynamic parent/child pair.

I was honestly hooked from the Introduction. I loved the personal touch that her mom made her and her sister things on a budget. That's the kind of mom I want to be. So much of the stress of life comes from being uncentered in your home and I loved having all these tips at the ready to make something truly my own (ON A BUDGET--sheesh! That's such a crucial part that stores out there just do NOT seem to GET!). I have so many great ideas now. I am so thrilled that I just moved into a new place because I have so many ways to make it my own now. It's like having the best elements of Pinterest on your shelf but you don't have to be at a loss for how to do it. (That's where I always get stuck). The steps, pictures, personal anecdotes and the connection to the need for books like this to be out there makes the experience reading it engaging and I had my notepad out taking notes on her tips the entire time (and I even knew I was gonna keep the book and could look at it for reference--I just wanted to have this incredibly helpful info at the ready!). Her style is JUST my style also (so that helps me love this book and totally rave about it). Everything is just so cute and I want my future fully-settled-family-with-kids home to look like that. It was so great to see that this could be accessible to me on a budget, and not just a dream!

CRAFTING WITH WOOD PALLETS by BECKY LAMB is a very eye-catching book. Take a look at the cover. What do you see? You see 4 very functional wood projects crafted from hardwood pallets or crates. This book was well thought out. Even the cover is constructed of an easy to grasp non-slip plastic material that will clean up easily even if your project gets a bit messy. The pages are high

gloss making them very readable and easy to see. All pictures are colorful, informative and detailed. The book is complete with a Table of Contents, an Index, a list of Resources in the back and it even has a Metric Conversion chart as well. Right off the bat, I can see that Becky is very organized; she knows her stuff! Her Introduction gives the reader some background about her and how she became involved in the art of Pallet Creations. I really appreciate that little detail. Her Pallet 101 segment details what a pallet is, what it is made of, using the right pallet for the right project and the tools you'll need to craft your projects. Each of the 25+ projects includes a detailed explanation of its usefulness, the tools you'll need to make it, detailed pictures and assembly instructions including the time it should take to make and its level of difficulty (beginner, intermediate or expert). Many of the projects include Pallet Pointers, useful tips to help you create a nice looking handy household item. Becky really has thought of everything to help you make some wonderful pallet creations including sites on the Net loaded with more pallet and crate projects. Once you see this book there is a very good chance that you'll want to purchase a few more copies for friends and relatives. This will quickly become one of your gift-giving favorites. I showed my copy to 2 or 3 friends and they are chomping at the bit to either borrow mine or they have hinted to me that CRAFTING WITH WOOD PALLETS would be a gift from me that they would cherish for a very long time.

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