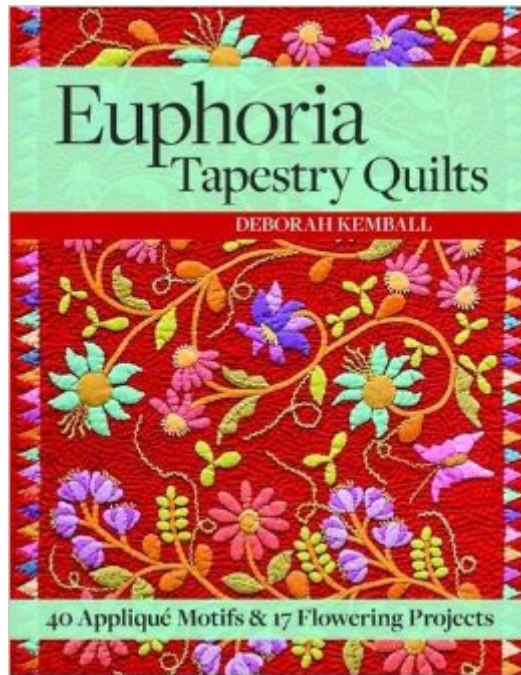


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Euphoria Tapestry Quilts: 40 Appliqué Motifs & 17 Flowering Projects



Synopsis

Create a quilted tapestry of sumptuous flowers with the best-selling author of Beautiful Botanicals. AppliquÃ© 40 realistic flowers and 17 sophisticated projects like pillows, table runners, wallhangings, and bed quilts. Hand stitch motifs from Deborah Kember's award-winning Euphoria quilt, or mix and match flowers to create your own gorgeously detailed masterpiece. With clear instructions and helpful photos, this collection includes a pattern pullout to photocopy, plus a free download of full-size designs you can print.

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The first few times I leafed through Euphoria Tapestry Quilts I was disheartened. Lots of photos of flat appliquÃ©s, a slew of text, and consequently no promised euphoria. For me. But THEN ... The latter portion of Deborah Kember's tapestry masterpiece reveals the source of the euphoria: it's in the quilting lines. They complement and supplement the appliqued pieces. Suddenly, a flat 3-petaled flower is lifted into another dimension. Even the simplest waves, outlines, and stippling achieve an unparalleled vibrancy. "Euphoria" is really just one quilt, at 80.5" Ã 86". It is ingeniously composed of 14 separate units, which can stand on their own as runners, pillows, panels, and boxes (as in window box shaped panels). Other projects include a "Miniature Euphoria" at 13.5"x19.5" (but no less daunting than its full-size counterpart) and a vivid whole-cloth "Butterflies" quilt at 54" x 62". Beginners with long attention spans and superlative perseverance will learn much from Ms. Kember's excellent instructions, photos, examples, and tips. There is a very brief but vital section on working with silk in 2 ways: not only for the actual applique pieces, but also

for deconstructing to make your own silk threads from taffeta. Experienced quilters and applique-ers will no doubt learn something new or get reinspired to do some serious applique. Just one problem, and it's a thoughtful note, more than a cautionary worry. These projects require a huge number of solids in more colors and fabrics than your budget might allow you to accumulate. But that's what friends and thrift stores are for. Those hideous bridesmaid dresses? Cut 'em up! Same thing with men's solid ties.

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