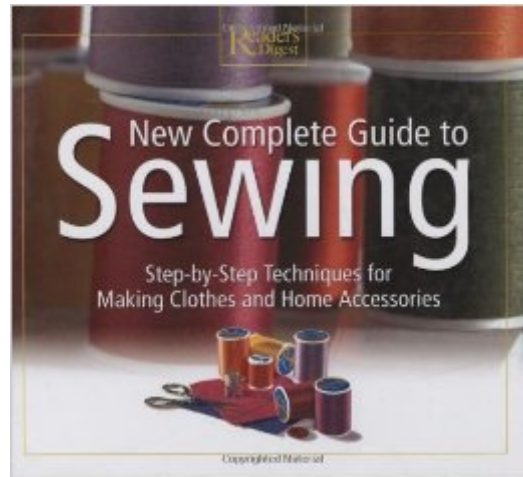


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# New Complete Guide To Sewing



## Synopsis

The best-selling comprehensive, practical, and inspiring sewing reference, now fully revised and updated. Clear, simple instructions by sewing experts, and thousands of illustrations and diagrams show each stage of the sewing process. This guide is the standard stitch-and-seam reference book for both beginner and seasoned sewers.

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## Customer Reviews

This book was required for a basic sewing class, and after buying the newest edition, I stumbled upon a 1978 version in the school library--which is FAR SUPERIOR!! Here's why:  
**LAYOUT**--The graphics of the instructions are virtually the same, but the old version has a very simple layout, with instructions beneath each photo. The current version focuses on making the page look cool, which detracts considerably in being able to view the instructions clearly.  
**CONTENT**--The current version has approximately 350 pages, while the older version has approximately 550!!!! For instance, in the old book for **TOOLS**, there's dedicated sections for various types of tools (scissors, needles, pressing equipment) and their uses. In the new one, all of the tools are laid together (no dedicated sections), which mostly pictures rather than information. Instead of about 7 pages it is now 2 pages. The elimination of a lot of information continues **THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE BOOK**!!  
**PROJECTS**--In the current version, projects are interspersed throughout the book, assuming you will be making these projects as you go along. **WRONG!** At least for me, I'm not going to make the specific shirt or pants they provide instructions to. The old version has all the

projects listed together at the end of the book, and there's at least double the amount of projects than the current book, most of which are still very modern even though it was written in the 70s! One cool project shows you how to make YOUR OWN PATTERN for a robe! BOTTOM LINE--This version is like an early rough draft of the older/original edition. The amount of information and projects has been cut by about half, and the book focuses on appearance (in its layout and content) rather than simplicity for usage.

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