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# The Ultimate Applique Guidebook: 150 Patterns, Hand & Machine Techniques, History, Step-by-Step Instructions, Keys To Design & Inspiration



## Synopsis

This complete source book guides you every step of the way in how to design your own applique patterns. Learn where to find new inspiration, read more about the history of applique, and build your skills in both hand and machine techniques. You'll revel in your new-found freedom to make your applique projects uniquely your own!

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## Customer Reviews

I was so excited to read the title, The Ultimate, Applique Guidebook. Terrific, another source for needleturn applique, I thought. But after it arrived I could't find anything for needleturn methods. Then lo and behold, on page 46 under Hand Applique, the author states "I am still no good at needleturn applique." But she begins that same paragraph by saying, 'There is only one method of hand applique that I can wholeheartedly recommend, and that is the one my friend Holly Mabatias of EAT CAke GRAPHICS developed and taught me. THE ULTIMATE GUIDEBOOK should be named, THE LIMITED GUIDEBOOK OF WHAT ANNIE SMITH KNOWS.

The Ultimate Applique Guidebook by Annie Smith is a great book for both beginners and advanced quilters. The book talks about the history of applique and shows some examples of her own work in the 1970s. Smith's book contains patterns and instructions for either hand or machine applique with fusing the fabrics. The book contains 150 designs- lots of flowers, stems and vases. It also has patterns for cute dog and cat patterns and patterns for bugs- lady bugs and bees are some. I like this book because it contains a lot of useable patterns that you could mix and match, and that you could

adapt to make your own designs and blocks. It is also a great reference book and a book that will give you new ideas for your quilts.

Some nice patterns. However it doesn't live up to it's title. If it was the ULTIMATE applique book it wouldn't give needleturn applique such short shrift.

I am new to quilting and applique and did not realize that there are several ways to machine and hand applique. I was more interested in her method for machine applique and this book was very easy to follow and includes lots of pictures for each step of the process. Her method is different because the finished applique pieces are soft and not stiff like on a sweatshirt (and other applique methods.) I want applique quilts to be soft and comfy. You will see what I mean when you read the book. Yes, there are only three projects in this book one each for beginner, intermediate, and advanced but she includes lots of templates for applique elements for you to create many of your own projects. I also really like that there are large sheets of paper in the back with full scale templates of the applique elements, so there is no need to use a copier to scale the drawings. Thanks for a great book Annie!!

I loved this book it was very helpful and can be used for both machine and needle turn applique. I am rather new to applique and the instructions were easy to understand and read. Plus beautiful patterns and will be easy to transfer to your fabric it is a must for new new quilters wanting to learn applique

This book caught my attention because of the designs on the cover and a sample I saw at a quilt store. The book is well written with pictures of step-by-step instructions. The book also goes into designing applique patterns. There are patterns in the book that are simple and fun. I am very pleased with my purchase.

What an great book!!!! A must for everyone who loves or wants to learn applique. As i am a beginner, The author has some great and simple projects with great instruction even a beginner can do...I greatly recommend this book, its a great addition to a sewer/quilter's library.

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