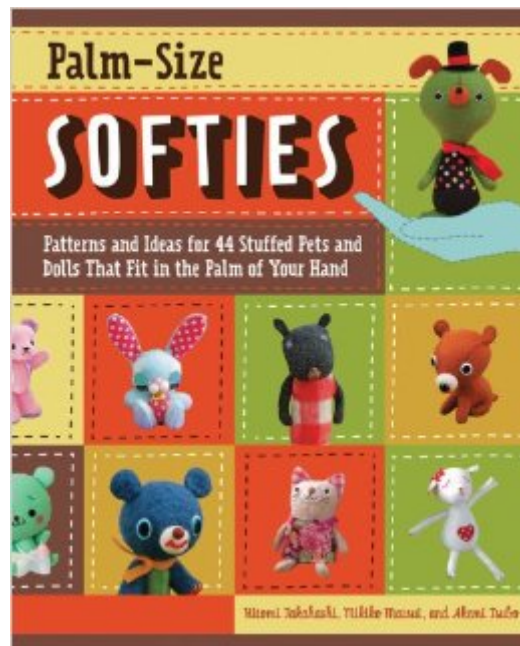


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Palm-Size Softies: Patterns And Ideas For 44 Stuffed Pets And Dolls That Fit In The Palm Of Your Hand



Synopsis

Packed with more than 40 unique, adorable projects, Palm-Size Softies shows you how easy it is to create some of the most stylish stuffed toys around. Full-color images provide a panoramic view of each critter, and the step-by-step instructions and included templates will make construction of your new friends effortless and quick. Whether you're searching for a loveable little pup, kitten, bunny, or bear, you'll find a fun, fast, low-cost craft project that the whole family will enjoy. Easy-to-find materials and distinctive fabrics will give your projects personalities all their own.

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Customer Reviews

As with most Japanese sewing books, they expect you to have basic sewing knowledge beforehand and is not suitable for children or novice sewers. The book is a collaboration between several artists so there are many varying styles of plush in it to enjoy. The only caveat I would share is that unless you are dead-set on working in miniature, to increase the patterns via photocopier by double or triple the intended sizing. It will make it much easier and enjoyable to work on them in a more reasonable sizing. Yes, "palm-size" is cute but not really necessary in my opinion on several of these softies. On the "fawn" pattern, for example, the curve of the head to center head pieces is so sharp in the given sizing of the book it leads me to believe that the pattern drafter had originally made this in 300% and had scaled the pattern down to suit the miniature sizing premise of the book.

This is a great resource for anyone wanting to create darling softies. It gives you the step-by-step

how-to's in simple terms to bring cuteness to life. I appreciated the techniques shared and the explaining of how to construct the critters piece by piece. You do need a basic knowledge of sewing, but once you have that, you are on your way.

I absolutely love this book. I must admit I do not plan to make any of the designs according to the patterns (I will strike out on my own and use these as a reference point) but the patterns are well drawn, instructions are easy to understand. There are so many different ideas in the book, not all to my liking, but all are well done with clear photos and instructions. I plan to use it as a reference book for many years.

These are great patterns. Although there's a few flat 2-D type patterns (a simple shape cut out and sewn to a like shape, with all dimension being provided by stuffing between the two), most of the book is more complex patterns (but still not terribly difficult) that produces more natural looking animals. Several cute dolls, and a good variety of styles. Highly recommend for the beginning plushmaker.

I grabbed this book to inspire my teen who has just gotten into making amigurumi animals and other little 'friends.' She really enjoyed making a lot of the little friends. Lots of inspiration for her to make things using snippets and bits.

Book has interesting patterns that ranges from hard to hardest! I am a total beginner though and I've decided to go for deep waters...man, they are hard to understand, took hours and hours to finish, they look nothing like the one in the picture but...Oh boy! It's rewarding! I have made the Anders Bear, and it's the cutest thing I've ever made! I need to perfect and neaten my stitches, but at least I made something AWESOME!

I bought this as a present for a middle-school student of mine, who has been trying to do such things on her own. While her imagination is excellent, I wanted a book that would give her some steps to improve her technique. This does that, and she was pleased.

The people who originally made all of these softies must have very, very small hands. I made three of the animals in here and it just about sent me to the loony bin. I will try others. Sometime. Not soon.

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