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## The Quilter's Album Of Patchwork Patterns: 4050 Pieced Blocks For Quilters



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## Synopsis

Providing quilters, researchers, and design enthusiasts with a comprehensive tool for finding, identifying, and drafting more than 4,000 unique patterns, this encyclopedia of quilt block designs presents a method of categorizing designs that eliminates duplication and allows quilters to understand exactly how each one is constructed. Each design is analyzed in terms of the grid on which it is drawn, making it easy recreate the pattern in any size or color scheme desired. Each block is thoroughly researched and listed according the original name and date of publication. Double names and duplicates are cross-referenced for easy use. Packed with information and inspiration, this also contains photographs of full quilts, as well as a detailed bibliography and indexes.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Wow, I just found out about this book and ordered a copy right away. After it arrived today, these are my thoughts. First off, I am a huge fan of Jinny Beyer's work. I have almost all of her other books and have been very influenced by her teaching books. I learned to love and enjoy hand piecing because of Jinny and really appreciate her quilt designs with influences from India. For this book, I absolutely loved the very huge section on quilt grids! Huge amounts of information to empower you to create your own block designs. That is hugely exciting to me, rather than feel stuck with something in a pattern that is same old, same old. I get bored easily because quilting can feel very repetitive and monotonous but with the huge variety of quilt blocks, each one is a new adventure. That section of the book is like a treasure chest to me. Ok, now here is some information
on the book that you should be aware of. The "finished" quilt blocks are probably made using computer software and digital copies of Jinny's fabric (I don't think each and everyone of these were actually made) - still a huge amount of work! Second, while the book does have 5000 or so blocks (I didn't count but can easily imagine there are after flipping through the book), there might be 25 variations on a single block. Finally, there are no measurements or instructions for piecing the blocks, that is up to you to figure out. An unbelievable work of quilt scholarship, "The" authoritative reference on probably every quilt block known to man, and the fun of reading passages written by Jinny throughout the book. If you don't feel you need this much information, Jinny is a very generous quilter and has provided many quilt block designs and patterns available on her website for free.

What an absolute compedium of knowledge Jinny has amassed in this book. If you want to know the history of a block, this book will tell you. It is also a virtually endless source of block ideas, and a manual on how to decipher the drafting of any goven type of block, and how to draft the blocks yourself. And every single block shown in color, in real fabric. What a visual delight!

A beautifully presented work of Jinny Beyer, certainly worth the wait. Informative and instructional work of highest quality. A must have for the library of every true quilter. And if you are new to the art, the contents will certainly help you to a quilt of quality. It covers every type of quilt block and the grid to achieve the block or perhaps find a new block inspired by the information.Jinny has again achieved the the best of the best among quilters.

My copy of Jinny's new book just arrived and it is beyond my expectations. The images of every quilt block is just spectacular. The colors are wonderful and the information provided is perfect for those interested in the history of the over 4,000 quilt blocks included in this book. Worth every penny.

Jinny Beyer has done an outstanding job bringing together thousands of pieced blocks. Inspiration abounds in this book! Jinny gives an overview of the sources for blocks, drafting blocks, designing quilts, coloring blocks, and using her signature: border prints. Also included are transparencies of various grids; ie. $4 \times 4,9 \times 9,21 \times 21$, star-grid, hex-grid, etc. Every quilter should include this book in their reference library.

Excellent book written by Jinny Beyer, a master of her craft. It is a history of 4,000+ quilt squares: when each was first published, who published it, and the many names given to a particular square. There are no patterns, per se, but the author explains carefully how to draft the patterns shown in the book using grids and the templates included with the book. Also, line drawings of the squares are given which correspond with the photographs of each square. Excellent book.

This book is inspirational and the gold standard of quilt blocks. If there is one book for the serious quilter to own, this is that one. Jinny Beyers process for looking at a block and converting it to a pattern is outstanding. The indexes and guides within the book cover just about any type pattern style I have dreamed up. This will keep me happy for years.

Excellent book. A heavy book, but if you are wanting to find and a particular type of block or an individual quilting lbock for a quilt top, then it is most likely in this book. The grid sheets are a great resource to use in making the blocks also. Well worth the money I spent to have this in my quilting book library.

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