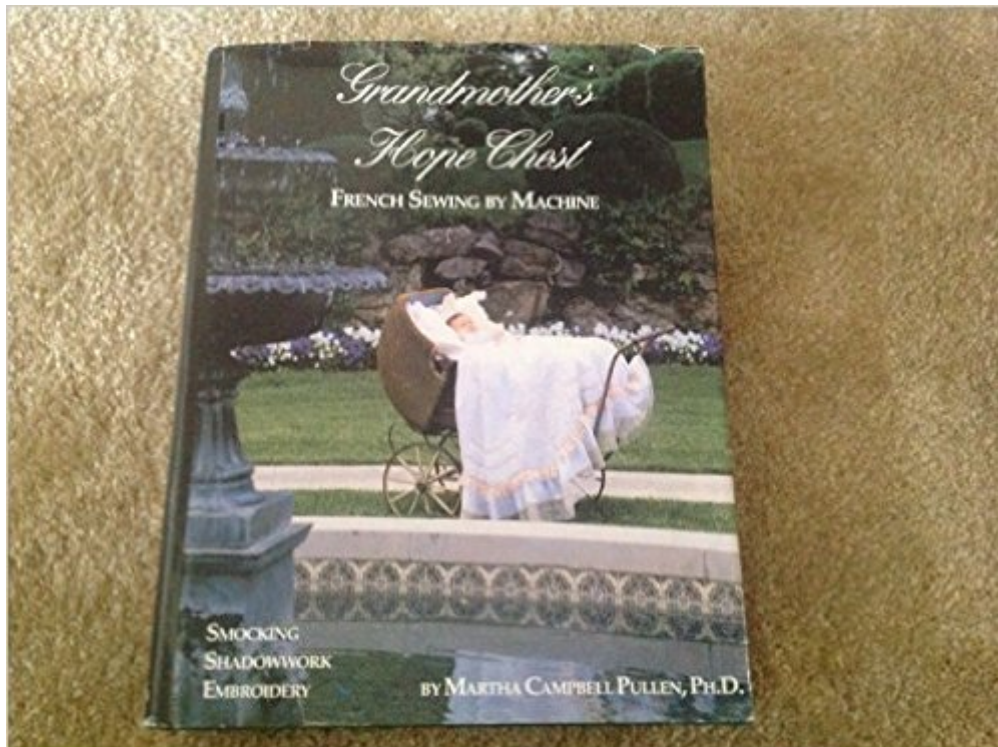


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Customer Reviews

Martha has done a wonderful job of including beautiful heirloom sewing with all directions and patterns included. The pictures are breathtaking! This is not a good book for the beginner, however, - some heirloom sewing experience is necessary. But, its a great way to get inspired! And its HUGE!

This book is amazing! It's nice enough to be a coffee table book, and it actually is useful! The accompanying patterns are easy to read. It isn't too helpful for beginners, but it sure gets them interested!!

With Martha Pullen's research, this book is incredibly historical to the time of the early 1900's. It is both beautiful and inspiring. As someone with experience in this type of sewing, I have found it to give me inspiration. It has been a springboard to design my own Christening and Blessing dresses in the heirloom style. I was taught these things at my own grandmother's knee and had forgotten the beauty of fine sewing. Sewing has gotten caught up in the hustle and bustle of how quickly it can be completed. These items do not show the lost art that demands that these items be passed on generation to generation as they were in the past. I hope to inspire others in my area to appreciate, even if only by observation, this precious and almost lost art when they see the results of my work as inspired by Martha's skills, enthusiasm, and requirement of quality.

Book is great reference but was missing the pattern envelope which is essential to making the garments in the book. Should have been noted in the product description - would have ordered either new or from different vendor.

I wanted this for the smocking tricks and the cool baby gear info. It has all that and more. This is really like a grandma's treasury of secret sewing/crafting tricks. There are examples from many machines which you can be inspired by to try on yours. The embroidery ideas are memorable! The shadowwork is neat. If you are looking to make christening gowns, there is a plethora of information here.

Excellent, excellent book!! The instructions and illustrations on techniques such as windowpane motifing, pintucking and Battenberg applications are superb. I have completed the Williamsburg Daygown with Front Lace shaping and insert and it turned out beautifully. This is one of the best books on Heirloom Sewing I have come across in a long time. Having learned these techniques by word of mouth many years ago, I have been on a quest to locate a book that provides the same quality of insight on a sewing form that is slowly being forgotten. Now I have something I can pass along to my children and grandchildren! I highly recommend it as an acquisition for those seriously considering heirloom sewing.

I had this book before and misplaced it. This is a wonderful book. Well written and easy to understand if you have moderate sewing knowledge. I taught myself heirloom sewing, and I am not an expert seamstress, with only this book for instruction. A must have if you do or want to do heirloom sewing!

I love the book. It is loaded with much more than I expected and I will use this book for many different things. It was very reasonably priced and the service was excellent. This website is very efficient. The process was very easy, not frustrating at all and everything went as promised. The best part is the book ended up being much better than expected. Purchased books from the "other" folks at the same time and I am still trying to work out problems with them to do with one of my orders.

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