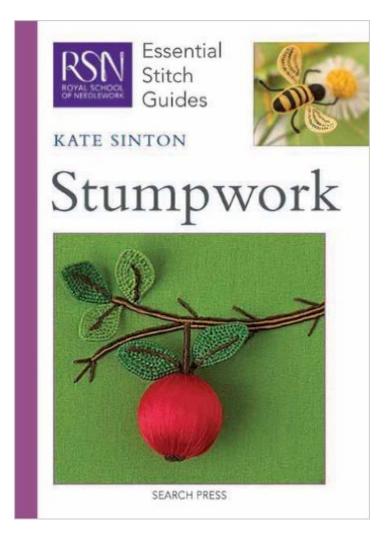
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# **Stumpwork (Essential Stitch Guides)**





### Synopsis

A comprehensive, expert guide to stumpwork embroidery, written by a graduate apprentice of the Royal School of Needlework.

### **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

I know nothing at all about stump work , but I saw on tv an antique program with a mirror frame done in Jacobean stump work and was intrigued ; Then I met a girl at a party who'd just made a small delightful bee in stump work and I was hooked. So I bought the book and it is very clear and straightforwards : all is explained , so you can get started on projects or work out your own ideas . I find that it is better to start with something small, try out the technique and then get bolder. But that is me, so you do what you want. The only drawback with the technique, not with the book, is that you need a lot of little stuff like beads and things. It is a good idea to start collecting the kind of thing you will need in cheaper stores or in yardsales, or even in toy stores. I never knew beads and glitter and even metal wire could cost so much , but that aside . The book starts with the history of stump work, showing a neat raised work casket and an example of a looking glass border. Those two are just the two projects I've been thinking about, so that was a hit with me then it goes to the chapter on materials, the same ones you use in gold work or in plain embroidery (then you need to buy the metal threads and wires ). If you don't have an embroidery frame, then you'll need one for stump work, it is essential. But if need be, you can make one yourself out of an old sturdy frame. The design of stump work, where the images form a narrative can be contemporary or in the 'old  $na\tilde{A}f\hat{A}$  ve style of the 17th century, again you have a choice. Then you see a small chapter on

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