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Can Do Picks

RHS Collage the Botanical World 1.000+ Fantastic & Floral Images to Cut Out & Collage

Royal Horticultural Society

Collage your way through over 1000 beautiful, weird, wonderful and exotic images with RHS Collage the Botanical World and a stunning collection of 1000 images from the RHS archives: • Vintage artwork

· Birds, insects and animals

• Fruits and vegetables • Flowers, leaves and other botanical illustrations. This vibrant collection of images, ready to cut and stick across any page. Or roam wild

and let your creativity bloom - design anything from birthday cards to wall art to notebook covers. This is a full and flourishing sourcebook that will add an inspired touch of the botanical to your creation.

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Intelligent Hands

Why Making is a Skill for Life Charlotte Abrahams & Katy Bevan

Where did the idea come from that white-collar work should be rewarded more with money and status than that of a blue-collar worker? Intelligent Hands looks at this phenomenon, the historical precedents that led us here and why hand skills are crucial in education and for lifelong learning. The authors are on a mission to enlighten the uninitiated and persuade the nay-sayers who dismiss craft as no more than a nice hobby or believe that doing things with your hands is for those who can't use their heads.



Birding to Change the World

A Memoir Trish O'Kane

In this uplifting memoir, a professor and activist shares what birds can teach us about life, social change and protecting the environment. Each chapter in Birding to Change the World features at least one species of bird that O'Kane has learned from. She recounts the astonishing science of bird life, including migration and survival strategies, along with many moving and compelling stories about birds and the humans

who are fascinated by them. Over the course of this heartfelt memoir, O'Kane shows what birds can teach us-and how that education can be a transformative force for social change.

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Practical Art

Creative Calm Drawing, Painting and Gentle Crafts for Mindfulness and Inner Peace Sandy Cousens

The book is designed to be accessible and socially conscious, asking the question Are we creating or consuming? and looking at what that means in the context of introducing a spiritual and artistic practice. The seven chapters all speak to the seven chakras, and the book takes the reader on a journey through the self as they explore the various ways they can generate feelings of self-love

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through art and self-care. Each chapter explores how that creative energy of that chakra can be explored in the physical world, with drawing practices, watercolour practices, and gentle crafts. Throughout, the author's unique wisdom and perspective guide the reader on a journey of calming creative discovery towards a sense of peace, while learning new skills or brushing up on dormant ones

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Art Class: Flowers & Foliage

Creating Contemporary Botanical Art Sarah Hankinson

Join artist Sarah Hankinson as she takes you through 20 exercises and projects to create your own contemporary botanical art. In this book you will find: • Simple exercises to begin a creative practice • Gorgeous frame-worthy projects • Practical information on papers, paint and pencils • Inspiring photographic references and step-by-step imagery. With

a focus on appreciating nature and making time to play, this simple introduction makes the beloved style of botanical art accessible to all.

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Biblioflora A Celebration of Floral Beauty in Botanical Art Jeanne Batiste Biblioflora is a captivating compendium that brings together an exquisite collection of floral masterpieces from botanical artists across the ages. Immerse yourself in the kaleidoscope of colours, shapes and emotions as each page unveils the timeless allure of flowers through the eyes of artistic and scientific visionaries. This anthology celebrates the universal language of blossoms that has

inspired and captivated the human spirit

throughout history. The book is a visual feast that not only showcases the incredible diversity of flora but also pays homage to the enduring power of art to evoke joy, contemplation and wonder.

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Watercolor Textures for

Artists Explore Simple Techniques to Create Amazing Works of Art Ana Victoria Calderon

Written for artists of all skill levels, this book reveals how to transform simple painted textures into stunning and meditative works of watercolour art. Texture swatching: find simple stepby-step tutorials for applying beautiful textures to simple shapes • Inspired textures: see how textures in the world around us can serve as inspiration for

watercolour textures • Mindful painting: create interesting effects using simple circles, dots, brushstrokes and lines • Mystical landscapes and skyscapes: learn how to combine textures to create relaxing vistas. A chapter on essential supplies gives an overview of everything you need, and templates make it easy to recreate the images with minimal drawing.

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Techniques & Projects

Camille Soulayrol & Marie Vendittelli

Cyanotype Workshop

In this beautiful and inspirational book, easy-to-follow instructions and gorgeous photography show you how to produce beautiful, detailed white images on a Prussian blue background using the cyanotype method. Cyanotype Workshop is a practical hands-on guide that teaches you how to make stunning and unique prints using a

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Inspiring Tips, Techniques, and Ideas for Hand Lettering

hand-drawn illustration and chalk lettering, you'll discover a variety of clever and unique ways to turn words and letters into step-by-step projects that can be used for gifts, home decor and more! You'll learn how to create swirls and flourishes, free-brush letter on canvas, make your own

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Creative Cats Coloring Book

Cat-tastic Kitties to Color

enthusiast or just a fan of all things warm and fuzzy, there's something for you in the Creative Cats Coloring Book. Designed to help you unwind and get colouring, this book is the purrrfect place for you to express your creativity. This fun-loving book features: • A gorgeous foil-accented cover • More than

100 designs to choose from • Beautiful line-drawn art celebrating all things cat • An illustrated full-colour introduction • Intricate, meditative back-of-the-page patterns to colour. If you're looking to destress or get in touch with your inner artist, dive in and add your own creative touch to this collection of sweet and sassy feline images.

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Beautiful Horses Coloring

Book Color Your Favorites, from Wild Ponies to Magnificent Clydesdales

Whether they are galloping across the plains or grazing in a field, there's just something captivating about horses. If you love the freedom, energy and majesty of horses, this colouring book is for you! Beautiful Horses Coloring Book features stunning designs of different horses, including stallions, ponies,



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Housesketching Learn to Create Energetic and Expressive Architectural Drawings Albert Kiefer

Housesketching shows how to go beyond representation to create sketches that are evocative, vibrant, and completely unique. With this encouraging guide, you will learn how to: • Find inspiration and choose subjects to sketch - either en plein air or from photos Compose your sketch with placement, contrast, techniques for guiding the eye and balance • Use perspective - but only as much



as you need to know! - to create a convincing sketch • Make a sketch your own through editing, exaggeration, point of view and creating a back story • Use colour and details to finish and embellish your sketches. Fifteen step-by-step projects take you through the author's process in detail, so you can sketch alongside him and learn what makes his drawings so dynamic. QR codes link to videos that provide further insight into essential techniques.

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Draw It Cute! 100+ Adorable Animals and Amazing Creatures Heegyum Kim

Draw It Cute! is a rich resource for beginner artists, cartoonists and doodlers who want to have fun as they build their drawing skills and create their own characters. Presented in a compact, easy-to-carry format, an amazing 100+ lessons teach you how to achieve cuteness in all your drawings. Simple steps help you develop basic drawing skills as you learn to create and connect the geometric shapes that comprise



each figure, add identifying features such as ears, arms, or feet, then fill in the facial attributes that bring each character to life. Each lesson is presented on one page, some with fun variations showing different poses, outfits, accessories and expressions.

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The Complete Guide to **Drawing Manga & Anime**

A Comprehensive 13-Week Art Course with 65 Clear and Easy Daily Lessons Date Naoto

The Complete Guide to Drawing Manga & Anime offers a structured 13-week lesson plan that is typically found in professional drawing classes. With 65 detailed lessons arranged into 13 weekly topics, it's simple to learn the

essentials and then progress to higher levels. You can create your own personalized learning experience as the structured lessons can be followed in sequence on a strict daily schedule or as an easy learn-atyour-own-pace course. With a hybrid focus this book offers skills for both digital and traditional artists learning to create manga and anime.

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3-Colour Watercolour 30 Colour-Mixing Masterpieces Katie Putt

This is the perfect book for beginners as well as more developed artists who want to play around with more limited colour designs to truly gain an understanding of their paints. Each of the 10 chapters is based around a different 3-colour palette, from jewel brights to Scandi calm. You'll need just 3 'pure' paint colours to make a start. From these, you will learn how to mix a surprising range of different colours - every

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The Complete Guide to Low-Fire Glazes for Potters and

Inspiration for Low-Temperature Firing with Big Results Ben Carter

glazes or looking to expand your knowledge of low-fire glazes, this book is your path through

• An explanation of how glaze is formulated • Troubleshooting tips for common glaze faults • Designing and making test tiles • Techniques for layering, using glaze as form, integrating decals, atmospheric firing and more • Tried-and-true glaze recipes – from gloss to satin, matte and tin



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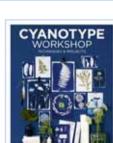
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a world of artistic possibilities. Illustrated with stunning photography of work by the author and other artists, this visually captivating resource covers: • Insights into the benefits and visual attributes of low-fire glazes • Guidance on setting up a glaze lab

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From modern calligraphy and illumination to

chalkboard, decorate ceramics and even digitize prompts invite readers to practice their newfound skills directly calligraphy, hand-drawn illustration, chalk lettering and more, artists will find plenty of exercises and inspiration to get started.

Whether you're a cat lover, colouring

Soda Glazing Ceramics Handbook

Ruthanne Tudball

The technique of soda glazing in ceramics is becoming more popular with potters, because it produces an attractive orange-peel texture to the object yet offers a more subtle range of colours while being more environmentally friendly. The author discusses the history and techniques of soda glazing, giving plans of kilns and detailed notes on how to produce this attractive effect. She compares

its similarities to and differences from salt glazing. The work of an international group of ceramic artists is used to illustrate the text.

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Lee Alexander McQueen The

Illustrated World of a Fashion Visionary

Tom Rasmussen

Alexander McQueen's creative vision stunned and shocked the fashion world with his avantgarde theatricality leading many to call him the enfant terrible of British fashion. But before he was Alexander McQueen, he was Lee Alexander McQueen, the boy from London who dreamed of becoming a fashion designer. He worked his way

up from making suits on Savile Row to starting his own fashion label. This book is a celebration of the life, brand and 36 ground-breaking collections created by Lee.

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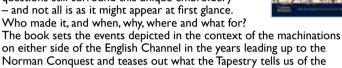
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The Story of the Bayeux Tapestry

Unravelling the Norman Conquest David Musgrove & Michael Lewis

Political intrigue and treachery, heroism and brutal violence, victory and defeat - all this is depicted in the Bayeux Tapestry, an epic account of a pivotal moment in English history. Many mysteries and questions still surround this unique embroidery and not all is as it might appear at first glance.



deeds of kings as well as aspects of everyday life in medieval Europe.

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Tie Dye Fashion From Hippie to Chic

Kate McNamara & Molly Young

Tie Dye presents a lush and vibrant kaleidoscope of contemporary photography, as well as highlights of cultural and style icons in tie-dye looks from the '60s to now, celebrating its cultural evolutions, from Woodstock to the catwalk. With fashion-forwardness, cool-factor and rich cultural references, the book is a captivating and delightful tribute to the beloved motif to be treasured by cultural enthusiasts, fashionistas, musicians, aging hippies and the high fashion scene alike.

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Natural Leather Tanning Markus Klek

Learn the centuries-old techniques of tanning pelts and furs to create soft, supple leather. The processing of hides and skins is one of the oldest known crafts and cultural techniques. Today, tanning is done primarily with chemicals, but traditional tanning was done with fat, smoke and plant extracts to make the hides durable and soft. This book teaches the centuries-old art of easy-to-do,



natural, inexpensive fat tanning with a few simple tools and limited space. The step-by-step illustrations show in detail how the self-tanned skins and skins are processed, as well as how to turn raw pelts and furs into leather gloves, moccasins, hats, capes, jackets and other simple everyday leather objects.

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Dressing Barbie A Celebration of the Clothes that Made America's Favorite Doll Carol Spencer

If you've ever had a Barbie doll, or you know someone who did, chances are that Barbie was dressed in one of the thousands of designs created by Carol Spencer during her spanning more than 35 years. Dressing Barbie is a dazzling celebration of the clothes that made Barbie and the incredible woman behind them. Illustrated with more than 100 full-colour.

photographs, including many never-before-seen images of rare and one-of-a-kind pieces from Spencer's private archive, the book is a treasure trove of some of the best and most iconic Barbie

looks from the early 1960s until the late 1990s.

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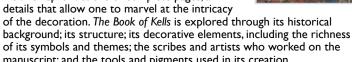
The Book of Kells Official Guide

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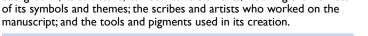
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This new official guide, by the former Keeper of Manuscripts at the Library of Trinity College Dublin, provides fascinating insights into The Book of Kells, revealing the astounding detail and richness of one of the greatest works of medieval art. The illustrations in the guide include reproductions of complete pages, and

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Home & Garden

Your Asian Veggie Patch Connie Cao

Grow, cook and enjoy delicious Asian vegetables, herbs and fruits - from garden to plate - wherever you live with permaculture gardener Connie Cao. Your Asian Veggie Patch is a comprehensive, beginnerfriendly guide to growing and cooking Asian vegetables, herbs and fruits at home. The author guides you though a curated selection of more than 40 cool-season and warm-season annuals and perennials (from amaranth greens, bok choy and

daikon to loofah, pandan and yuzu), meaning it's easy to find produce that will thrive in your garden and climate. Then, make the most of your abundant harvest with 50 fresh home-style recipes inspired by Connie's Chinese heritage: think edamame and pickled mustard greens, stir-fried Shanghai rice cakes, pork and chive dumplings, Chinese pumpkin cakes and winter melon tea.

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The Botanic Garden The

World's Greatest Botanical Sanctuaries

Ambra Edwards

This rich and beautiful guide explores the most magnificent botanic havens from every continent across the world. There has never been a better time to celebrate botanic gardens. From Brooklyn and San Francisco, to Colombia and Brazil; Oxford and Kew, to Cape Town and Mauritius; Norway and Germany, to Sydney and Thailand, discover surprising diversity, superb vistas and some of the most intriguing plants you can

imagine. As centres for research, conservation and education, these expansive collections are integral to our understanding of the true power of plants. But they also hold some of the most beautiful species on earth - including ferns, trees, cacti, orchids and more - expertly cared for and presented as a feast for the senses, delighting thousands of visitors each year.

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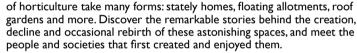
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Lost Gardens of the World

An Atlas of Forgotten Horticultural Treasures Sandra Lawrence

The author takes you on a tour of 40 horticultural gems from around the world that have been lost either through neglect, abandonment or destruction. Many have been consigned to history, never to be seen again, while others have been revived and restored by the care and dedication of new owners and communities. These marvels





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Therapy Chickens Let the Wisdom of the Flock Bring You

Joy Tedra Hamel

Life can be profound but also funny, exasperating and downright weird - much like living with a flock of hens. This book will make you laugh and teach you to be a good companion. With 50 bits of wisdom throughout this beautifully illustrated book, you will learn how to explore curiosity, embrace your true self and let go of what holds

you back. Some bits of wisdom from these adorable chickens include: · Even if you can't fly, don't be afraid to stretch your wings. You may just get off the ground after all! • Listen to the squawk of others. There really may be a hawk flying overhead. • Don't be afraid to put yourself out there. Connect with others and find your flock. Organized by season, these bits of wisdom will teach life lessons all year round.

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The Murdle puzzle phenomenon comes to Australia with fifty new mysteries that challenge you to find whodunit, where and why! Join Logico as he investigates a booby-trapped akubra, cutthroat student elections and trials for the chess footy team. Along the way, he'll glimpse mysterious black opal pins, robed figures in hidden tunnels and a fatal jumbo parma, all overshadowed by

the unsolved death of Bunbury Basalt OAM, founder of the university. Logico must determine whodunit, how, why and where before the final siren. And who better to help him than fellow student the enigmatic Irratino? Packed with illustrations, codes and maps, this is the ultimate detective casebook to get those little grey cells firing!

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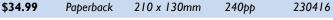
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Day Trip Melbourne 52 Nature Adventures

Melbourne is often lauded as Australia's cultural

centre, but there is so much more to appreciate when you escape the urban chaos and explore its natural wonders, from vast sweeping coastlines and snowy peaks to gurgling streams and fluorescent wattle. With a trip for every week of the year, the book takes you to mountains, waterfalls, swimming holes, beaches, forests, coastlines, snow trails, urban parks, Aboriginal sites, rivers, canyons, cliffs, historic architecture and more. Each adventure includes

directions by car or public transport, a map showing walking routes and facilities, and a guide to trip highlights. There are trips for everyone families, solo adventurers, furry friends - all within 130 kilometres of the city centre.



Art Search Seek & Find Great Artists and Their Masterpieces

Chloe Jasmine Harris

Art Search is a captivating search and find book that invites you to explore the brilliant worlds of iconic artists and their timeless masterpieces. Each page unfolds into a stunning, intricately illustrated scene, teeming with hidden treasures. Search for the beauty of Botticelli's Birth of Venus, the tranquillity of Hokusai's Great Wave, and the vibrant landscapes of Monet's Water



Lilies. Accompanied by fascinating facts, this immersive journey through art history is a perfect blend of education and entertainment. Sharpen your observation skills and discover the magic within each masterpiece!

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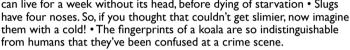
This highly engaging collection of 70 puzzles has problems drawn from real-life situations, games with intriguing strategies, and puzzles with such creative and whimsical storylines that they need to be explained to be believed. With the solutions you'll read the untold back stories behind the puzzles, and a fascinating exploration of related puzzles and

puzzle adaptation involved talking to an expert in sheep genetics and outside-the-box solutions to apparently straightforward challenges. This book is a must for any lover of puzzles or recreational mathematics.

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Simon Nicholls

Hilarious and fascinating facts on all things flora and fauna from BBC Radio's award-winning series Nature Table here is a celebration of the astonishing everyday occurrences that happen right under our noses. With fascinating facts from the programme's expert guests along with big jokes, witty anecdotes and fun games, this bumper collection showcases



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A Year in Numbers Kyle D Evans Here is a collection of 365 numerical nuggets one for each day of the year. Broken down into 12 chapters that correspond roughly to months of the year – from going 'back to school' with arithmetic

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Around the World in 80

Matt Ralphs & Robbie Cathro

each one was developed, with bite-sized labels and captions. Spot the adventurous aviator,

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The Secret Life of Lego Bricks

Daniel Konstanski

This is the book the fans have always wanted: of the beloved LEGO brick and the company visual material from the LEGO Archive in Billund. The Secret Life of LEGO Bricks explores

the brick's rich history in full colour and unparalleled detail. Granted unprecedented access by the LEGO Group, Daniel Konstantski has interviewed design masters, element testers and the so-called 'rock stars', the set designers, to reveal for the first time how and why new

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Through the Eye of a Needle Clare Hunter An eloquent blend of history and memoir, Threads of

Life is an evocative and moving book about the need we all have to tell our story. Clare Hunter chronicles the stories of the men and women, over centuries and across continents, who have used the language of sewing to make their voices heard, even in the most desperate of circumstances.: from political propaganda in medieval

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