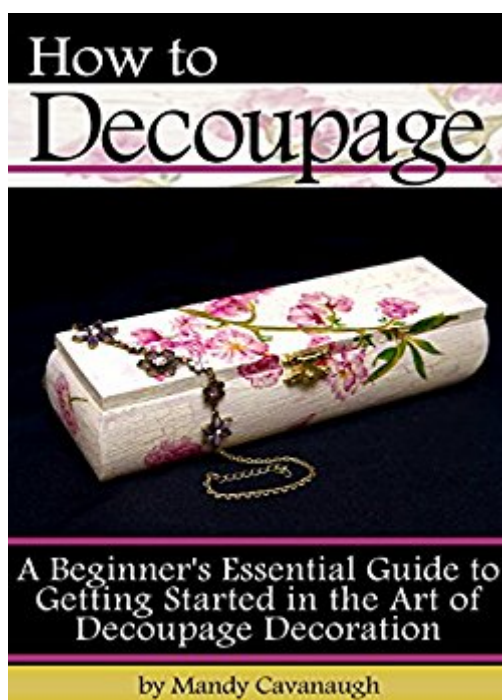


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# How To Decoupage: A Beginner's Essential Guide To Getting Started In The Art Of Decoupage Decoration



## Synopsis

If you want to learn how to use decoupage techniques to transform ordinary household items into works of art, then this book is for you! Read on your PC, Mac, smart phone, tablet, or Kindle device. Decoupage, the art of decorating surfaces by applying paper cutouts and then coating with several layers of lacquer or varnish finish, shares several similarities with scrapbooking, but the former has a longer and more colorful history. Traveling to the West via the famous Silk Road (like many things from the East), decoupage has been embraced by countless people, including the likes of Marie Antoinette who even cut up paintings to indulge her passion for the art. You, on the other hand, need not go to this extreme. Using just printouts of classic paintings, your own photographs, newspapers, or other patterns or media you find, you can easily create your own decoupage masterpiece. Aside from being inexpensive, the art of decoupage is also fun and easy, and can be enjoyed by people of any age. It's also a great opportunity to incorporate recycled materials that you have lying around. Your future masterpiece can be anything from a picture frame, a small wooden jewelry box, a kitchen cabinet door, or if you're feeling truly productive, an entire bedroom wall! This book will provide you with everything you need to know, taking you through the process step-by-step to create your own work of art from start to finish. Here is a preview of what you'll learn...

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## Customer Reviews

This book is truly useful, it was precisely what I was searching for. I am attempting to discover as much as I can about decoupage decoration right now and reading this book was gold for me. Great info, tips and advices that anyone who's into decoupage decorating should take a part of. Thanks for sharing!

This book is a good introduction to the process of decoupage, and how to make your own gifts. The reason I got this book was to learn how to make my own gifts to give to people because it will be more personal (and cheaper!) I enjoyed the book and it does teach you how to make your first decoupage piece but the reason I only gave it four stars is that it doesn't have images. Overall, good and very useful book though

Matisse also loved decoupage, and I remember back in grade school we did it too! It just reminds me of how fun it is to create an art from something simple, such as paper and use it as a decor. I like how the author explained about the history and the procedure of decoupage. Now I can create decoupage decor again with my hubby and use it to ornate our living room and home office. There's something so dainty about decoupage decor - the author explains why- it originated in China and as a serious art form in the East. This book by Mandy Cavanaugh is a refreshing read, it gives you another fantastic idea for a hobby and creating art. I recommend this book!

Needed to do a few decoupage projects so this was a helpful guide.

I was looking for a craft to do to relieve stress from my day job and decoupage was a perfect fit for me. I definitely need to practice a bit, haha, but it turned out pretty good for my first try. I went for a beachy looking picture frame and used shells as the element. It's so cute and fun looking! I highly

recommend this beginner's guide for a newbie like me.

An effective guide on decoupage. This will be a fun exercise with my cousins (who are 7 and 8 years old!) to get a good pastime going. The end of the book covers all materials and setting up a workspace to get down to decoupage business. It really is a great art.

It came very fast and the information was good, I was however a little disappointed because this was a booklet more than a book and there were no pictures at all

Interesting stuff on the topic of decoupage. Not an easy thing to master or even learn. But refreshing to learn about it in this simple book. If you are starting out and wanting to learn it then it will be useful.

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