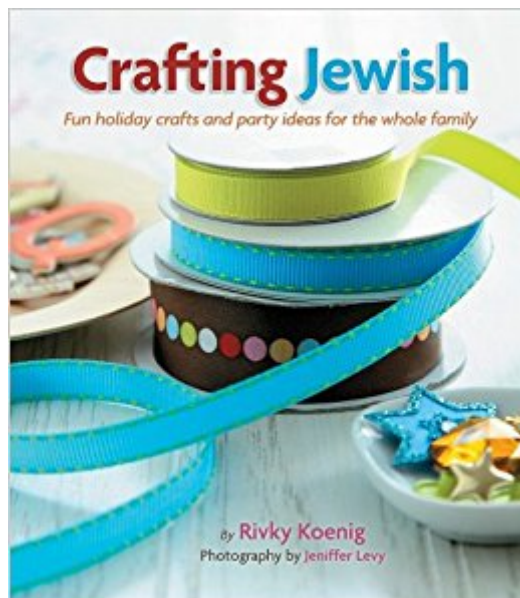




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Crafting Jewish: Fun Holiday Crafts And Party Ideas For The Whole Family



Synopsis

Crafting Jewish is a unique and beautiful book. It has been designed both for experienced crafters looking for creative and unusual ideas and For beginners just starting to discover the joys of crafts. This book has it all!. Over 120 holiday and everyday projects, each with step-by-step instructions . Stunning full-color photos of every craft . Distinctive ideas for holiday get-togethers - many with delicious recipes . Pictorial reference guide of crafting tools and product buying guide . Full-size templates and comprehensive index The entire family will love creating these marvelous, homemade crafts - and the warm and loving family traditions that you create at the same time, as you enjoy Crafting Jewish.

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Customer Reviews

This book is full of great crafts to do in camp, school or at home!

The book had many more recipes than crafts in it. The crafts were cute, but might not meet the expectations of a serious crafter.

This is a beautiful book with wonderful projects that can be adapted to different ages. I've used some of them for my junior high Hebrew school class and the girls loved them. Highly recommend!

Great book! Lots of ideas!!

I purchased 3 copies of this book for friends. My wife has a copy and loves it. So we decided to get more copies for our friends. They too are truly enjoying their books.

I always love Jewish craft books, since I am a crafty person. Personally, however, I would go for the other book recently published. Most of the ideas here are very easy to think of; for recipes I tend to visit my cookbooks. That said, it is a nice book, and I can imagine that moms/educators will love it.

The work is a treatise on how to prepare traditional foods. For instance, meat and dairy are cooked separately using different utensils. The blood of meat is removed in accordance with Jewish law. The work cites parve which is neither meat nor dairy. Rosh Hashanah is noted for reflection. The period is a time for hope and eternal optimism. The author explains how to prepare the Mitzvot and Mitzvot journals during the 10 Days of Atonement. There are extensive templates at the end of the book. A number of popular foods have been listed together with the applicable recipes. i.e. preparation of carrot cake, Challah recipe for Shabbat, Butternut squash for Shabbat, Pomegranate punch. A section of the work describes popular arts and crafts. i.e. Apple-stamped cards, Shana tova card collage(s) combined with clip art. The book is perfect for planning formal Kosher foods and hosting holiday events. The presentation could have a sequel describing the preparation of global Jewish dishes. i.e. Ashkenazi foods: sweet potato and carrot tzimmes, matzo meal, beet root soup, bagels w/ salmon and cream cheese, strudels, kugels and cheesecakes, cholent from France and fish/chips by Portuguese Marrano Jews of the 16th century. Sephardic preparations: boneless veal and mushroom stew, rice and beans (checked with care) for Passover, Sephardic charoses-Moroccan style (walnuts, raisins, dates, dried apricots, black figs, cherry preserves, ginger root, shredded mint, fresh ground pepper and Passover wine). Oriental Jewish preparations: veggie-sushi, Asian carrot soup, chicken-chop suey, stir fry spices in beef, Moo-Shoo pancakes chicken, Korean marinated ribs, sweet and sour Chinese leeks, Peking Salmon. Ethiopian Jewish Dishes: buna (black coffee), injera (spongy bread) with wat sauce, meat, veggies, beans, tele-home brewed beer, taj-sweet sour drink with honey (All eaten with hands rather than utensils).

I am always interested in different traditions and ideas when it comes to crafting and cooking, and this beautiful book, *Crafting Jewish*, is one of the finest I have seen in a long time. Inside the cover of this work you will find holiday crafts and party ideas, with the Jewish theme, to make that will

delight everyone involved. The book starts out giving you a complete guide of products and tools that you will need. There are even pictures to insure that you have use of the correct material. I was very impressed. We then travel on to the different Jewish Holidays, or times of year such as, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur or, Shabbat. Under each one the holiday is explained and different crafts are presented to be made that would be used during this time. For each craft you are given a check list of what you will need and complete simply instructions on how to do it. To top it off you are also given recipes of foods that are cooked and eaten during this holiday with pictures that will make your mouth water and urge you to cook away. You will also find an explanation of why these foods are prepared and eaten, and what their meaning has. I loved that part. It brought such personality to the book that you felt part of the festivities. Great job. At the end of the book there is a section titled, "For Every Day," that gives you eight fun crafts that can be made anytime. And you are given templates and a listing of resources that are sure to help. I have to say, this is much, much more than a crafting book. It is an explanation of Jewish heritage, tradition, the very essence of whom they are. This work brings to life their past, merging with their present shown through their crafts and food. It is filled with their beliefs and the deep commitment they have for God and family. Yet, it draws all with interest and respect, and beacons you to try a craft and sample the delicious food your eyes are feasting upon. What a wonderful book. I don't care what faith you are, or if you are none at all, this book is truly one that will strike a cord in every reader. It is one of the most beautiful books I have seen in a long time, and the spirit of the Jewish history seeps from its pages and graces the very soul of the reader. Very highly recommended. An outstanding read.

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