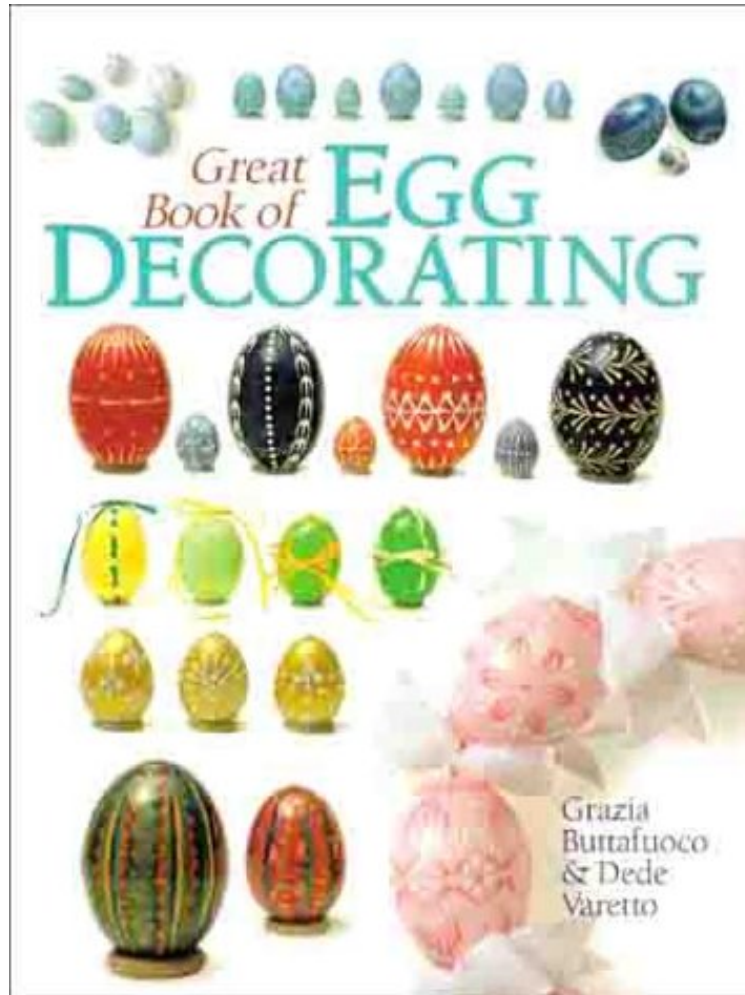


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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. nice bookBy L KeeneThis is an awesome book but I expected more traditional patterns. The book explains the traditions and has some patterns and techniques in it but then it goes on to give actual projects for displaying your creations like floral arrangements and mobiles. Most books on this topic focus on Ukrainian style and heritage but this had a different flavor. It was an excellent book and a great value for someone who is new to this art form and wants to do some arts and crafts projects with batiked eggs. Pictures are wonderfully done.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Any suggestions on what varnish to use?By K.E.Just got the book and was thrilled with it. I've tried Pyanski and just made a big mess and ruined a lot of shells. I especially liked the idea of using inks, paints, and varnushes since I have already painted some eggs that turned out beautifully. I just

wish it went into more depth in what inks and varnishes they used so I don't have to go by trial and error myself since the products aren't cheap and blowing eggs isn't the easiest. If they had at least given a few examples that would be helpful (or included products used in the back) Does anyone have suggestions for varnishes that I could start with? 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By WNYGRL585 Great book for learning the drop and drag method.

Turn ordinary eggshells into works of art with traditional designs! For centuries, in countries like Russia and Czechoslovakia, people have revered the egg as a symbol of life, fertility, and love, and they have developed an array of artistic possibilities--egg blowing, wax resist, drilling, and decoupage--for beautifying it. Choose from chicken, duck, ostrich, goose, and quail eggs to get a variety of sizes; see how creative you can be; and then show them off in floral centerpieces, as ornaments and package trims, and more. For a distinctive mobile that will have everyone talking, dye some eggs, wax emboss them with stars and rosettes, and hang them up. Or, fill an Easter basket with varnished eggs threaded with colorful ribbon. With tricks of the trade, including how to start over if you make a mistake, this is the definitive guide to a timeless craft.

Embossed, resist-dyed, carved, and decouped eggs fill the pages of this pretty book, which not only explains exactly how to create these delicate beauties but also offers 20 projects that utilize the decorated eggs for more than just sitting in a bowl. Wreaths, garlands, mobiles, centerpieces, topiary, ornaments, package trims, place cards, and party favors all sport colorful eggs bedecked with elaborate wax designs, paint, ribbons, colorful gift-wrap paper, and even stickers. Excellent step-by-step photos and design templates mean that even beginners can manage these. A source list would have been a nice addition, to guide readers on where to find the ostrich, goose, duck, and quail eggs, but chicken eggs will work for most of the projects and sources are no doubt abundant on the Internet. --Amy Handy
From Library Journal
Italian artists Buttafuoco and Varetto present several techniques for decorating eggs, including wax embossing, wax resist, laced holes, and decoupage. Their designs are original and not based on the traditional Eastern European designs that form the basis for Jane Pollak's *Decorating Eggs* (LJ 10/15/96). Several projects for centerpieces using decorated eggs are included. Recommended for public library craft collections.
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