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Rashida Coleman-Hale : I Love Patchwork: 21 Irresistible Zakka Projects to Sew before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised I Love Patchwork: 21 Irresistible Zakka Projects to Sew:

32 of 32 people found the following review helpful. Lovely projects, easy to use, one caveatBy ASMThe linen/cotton projects in this book are lovely and fresh. The author has a beautiful sense of style and whimsy and I've already pre-ordered her next book, sight unseen. I've made 3 projects from this book and found the instructions easy enough to follow (I'm a beginner). I gave the book only 4 stars instead of the 5 that I think the projects themselves deserve because 2 of 3 three projects I've done so far had errors in the instructions. I think this was just sloppy editing. For example, the placemats instructions say to cut a 12 1/2" x 10" square -- and it should say 12 1/2" square. I discovered this after only cutting out one placemat, thank goodness - so I didn't waste that much fabric. Also, the fold up eco bag, in instruction #1, says to fold over one long edge -- when I believe it means fold over one short edge. At least that's the way it makes sense to me - I had to rip out a seam. Those errors made me nervous when I started my third project (with a zipper!), but it went smoothly with no problems. I am still a big fan however and will make several more projects from this book -- rare for a sewing book to have so many great looking projects. I wish or the publisher's website had an errata page for editing errors caught by readers!2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Loved the previous book but...By TenshisonnetI loved the last zakka book Coleman-Hale put out with entries from

other makers. I made a few projects out of them with little difficulty. This book had excellent instructions and illustrations and even included little snippets of the maker's history with sewing. Out of the 21 projects, only one interested me. It was a bit of a bummer after getting such inspiration out of her last book. If you are looking for some solid instructions on how to make basic patchwork patterns, this is the book for you. The instructions are clear and the illustrations are helpful. If you are looking for some more inspired projects, look for her previous zakka book. 14 of 14 people found the following review helpful. EEEK- I love it! By crafty brit chic Yippee! Finally a sewing book that has something refreshing and new, but 100% achievable and fun to read at the same time. As soon as I put the book down, I wanted to run to my sewing machine and make the Little Lamb Softie and the Sewing Machine cover, and the Lap Quilt. Rashida includes great information about linen and her resources sections is excellent. There were a couple of projects that were not for me or I had seen elsewhere, but for the most part, some solid projects, a great voice and a design aesthetic that is flawless. Much better choice than the Zakka Sewing: 25 Japanese Projects for the Household (Stc Craft) which I thought was hopeless. Well done!

Offering a modern approach to traditional fabric design, this charming instructional illustrates how to create sophisticated patchwork projects by combining linen and print fabrics using simple quilting procedures. Presenting a diverse collection of projects--many inspired by the Japanese zakka aesthetic--such as a travel sewing kit, sewing machine cover, table runner, apron, eco bag, towels, calendar, lap quilt, tote bag, pillowcase, and shoulder bag, all designs are fun, functional, and easy to master. Combining sewing, applique, quilting, and patchwork techniques with thoughtful advice on how to select, work with, and care for linen, this colorful handbook is brimming with sophisticated and innovative projects to challenge and inspire both beginning and intermediate sewers and quilters.

"A beautiful new book." - Cate Prato, editor, Studios magazine "[Coleman-Hale] has an amazing eye for color and combining fabrics, and is able to infuse a ton of impact into unfussy, beautiful sewn objects...we can all try our hands at these Japanese-inspired, happiness-inducing projects." - TrueUp.net "A modern approach to this sewing technique that will appeal to beginning to intermediate sewers and quilters." - FabTalk "If you're a fan of the handmade aesthetic with a clean simplistic look, this is a must-read." - CraftCritique.com "The author grew up in Japan and her first-hand experience with zakka style shines through in this collection of functional and beautiful designs." - Grand Rapids Press "Unique ways to combine simple sewing with various applique techniques, fabric ties and buttons." - The Detroit News "A great introductory book... Love it for anywhere from a kitchen to a kid's room." - McClatchy-Tribune News Services "Coleman-Hale's created a fellow linen-lover. I just drooooool over I Love Patchwork." - Euphoria Blog