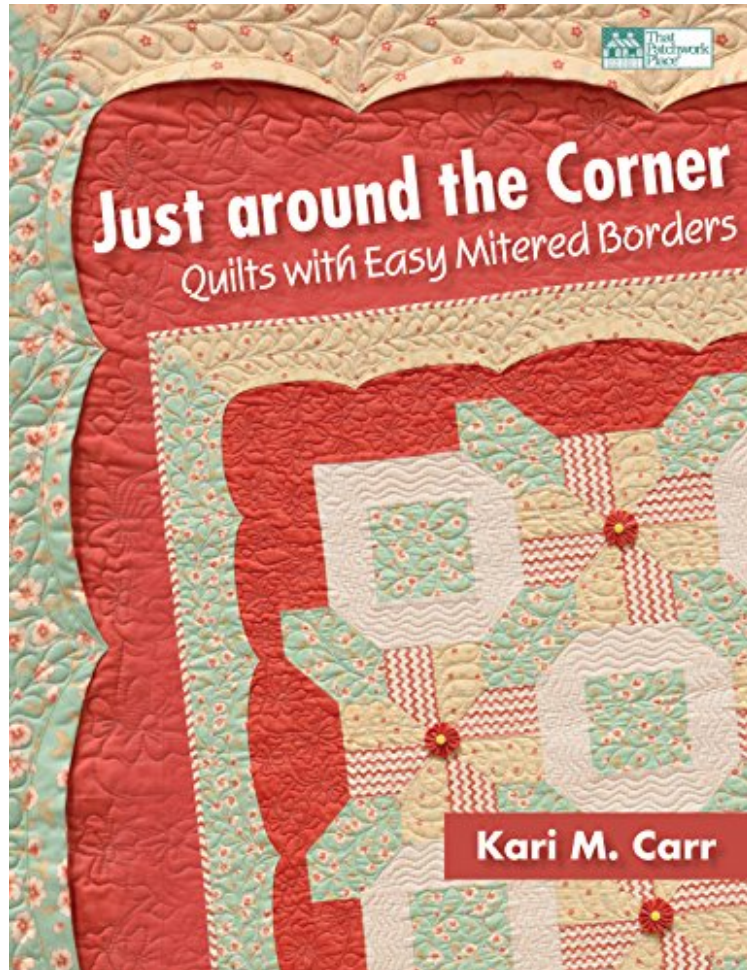


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6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. 9 Projects Are Sweet, Sophisticated, and Certainly Sew-worthyBy SLSThree things made me want to buy Kari M. Carr's "Just Around The Corner" based simply on what I could see with 's "Look Inside!" feature:1) The color combination on the cover (buttery creams, minty teal, terracotta rose - just like saltwater taffy colors)2) The "Boardwalk Tote" bag pattern (so classy and sophisticated with its simple layered look)3) All those scalloped borders! (And even some of them are "layered".)And the best part is, now that I've had a chance to really study this book, there is even more to like here:4) Nice quilting ideas (borders, all-overs, background fills)5) A "just right" amount of applique6) Sweetly smart use of fabric-covered buttons (if you don't already have cover button kits, you'll want to run out and buy bunches. Check out Dritz Aluminum Cover Button Kits-Many Sizes)7) Reasonably-sized projects that won't take a lifetime to complete (the smallest is an 18x18 pillow and the

largest is 45.5 x 67.5 inches)8) Fabric cutting layouts for most projects, demonstrating the best use of your fabric9) Directional arrows in the seam-pressing illustrations (small thing, but thank you, Martingale Company publishing, for always doing this)10) Very pleasant text lets you know there's a lovely human being behind this bookHOW TO USE THIS BOOK:Don't skip the first section - it is truly useful and worth reading carefully. This is where the author explains her mitering and scalloping technique, along with how to use her patent-pending CPA template. (The stuff most of us already know gets put at the back of the book in the section "Quiltmaking Fundamentals".)WAIT, "CPA Template"? ... WILL I HAVE TO BUY ANOTHER NEW TOOL?Ms. Carr does indeed have a patent-pending on a tool she recommends here: New Leaf Template Clearly Perfect Angles. This "Clearly Perfect Angles" template removes the need to mark lines on the back of squares when making Flying Geese and Folded Corner /Snowball blocks, and also when joining binding/border strips. It is not required, but if you do get it (or already have it), make sure you read each project's directions very carefully for whether you should use Center Alignment or Gray-Band Alignment. (Otherwise you might mis-cut or mis-sew your fabric, so heads up!) And if choose not to buy the CPS, you'll just need to sharpen your pencil like olden times.A TEASER:If you love sampler quilts but don't have the time, space, and fabric to make a "real-sized" one, Ms Carr has just the project for you with "Medley Lane". It finishes to 18 x 24 inches and is a great way to play with shapes and colors without a huge investment of those vital resources. Included are tips for handling the small bits of fabric (use lots of starch) and instructions for making a foam-core mounting board. This sample sampler is shown completed in a simple wood frame - great idea for your smallest quilts.BOTTOM LINE:These 9 projects are very nicely presented here by Ms. Carr, and introduce us to a scalloping technique that will punch up our borders and miter them at the same time. Buy-worthy!1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great cornersnever every timeBy SILVERBEADThis book really got me out of trouble with a quilt that had a deadline to finish. I was stuck when I found the quilt called for mitered corners. I had not done these before and had no idea where to begin. "Just Around the Corner" saved the day. Easy to read, easy to understand, and made it easy to do. My daughter- in - law loves her quilt and I love knowing there is no mitered corner I cannot do now. Highly recommend this great book for anyones Quilting library,0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. corners of funBy Kindle CustomerqwEasy and clear directions, this book is a keeper for my library.

Can mitered corners really be easy? Yes! Create a "frame" using folded fabric strips, any 90 ruler, a marking pen, and a sewing machine. Then fold back the straight portion of the mitered frame to give it a charming scalloped effect.Skip the math--simple alignment guarantees accuracy every timeChoose from nine distinctive projects: quilts, table toppers, a tote, a pillow, and morePair strips of different colors and turn back the bias strip to reveal a contrasting underside

I just read Kari's latest book, Just around the Corner: Quilts with Easy Mitered Borders. What really grabs me about Kari's mitered borders is the variation of fabric colors in the mitering. Very zippy indeed! The book contains a pillow pattern and seven other projects. Everyone knows the directions have to be VERY clear and have lots of pictures if I'm going to be able to make something from a book. Kari used to be a school teacher and she is very good at explaining the process and steps to make the projects in her book. Even I understood completely what she was saying. And that, my friends ... is impressive. --IHaveANotion blogAbout the AuthorA self-proclaimed "recycled Home Ec teacher," Kari M. Carr teaches quiltmaking across the country. Kari is the owner of New Leaf Stitches, a pattern-design company, and the creator of the popular notion Clearly Perfect Angles.