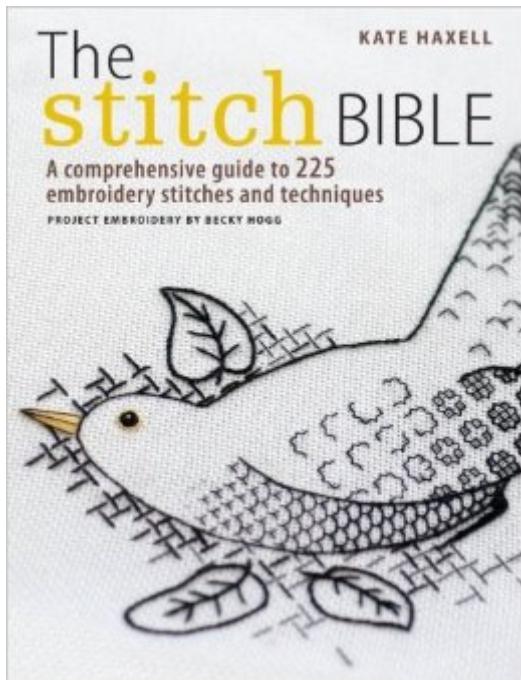


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# The Stitch Bible: A Comprehensive Guide To 225 Embroidery Stitches And Techniques



## **Synopsis**

Thread your needle and master the art of embroidery in this indispensable guide to the most popular stitches and essential stitching techniques. Whether you are new to sewing and stitching or you want to increase your repertoire, The Stitch Bible is the ideal reference, with 225 embroidery stitches and techniques, plus 17 gorgeous projects to practise what you have learned. This comprehensive guide includes Freestyle embroidery techniques, Hardanger embroidery stitches both in traditional white and contemporary colours, Blackwork stitches based on geometric designs, Crewelwork tapestry techniques, sparkingly elegant Goldwork, striking Pulled Thread embroidery, bold and beautiful Canvaswork and delicate Drawn Thread techniques. Features include: Beautiful inspirational photography of the projects you can make with these stitches. Step-by-step illustration for all 225 stitches, making it simple to complete each stitch perfectly. 17 contemporary projects to put your new found skills to use straight away. All the templates and charts needed to complete the projects. Comprehensive information on the materials and equipment you need. Advice on the basic techniques such as how to transfer a design onto fabric, how to use an embroidery frame, how to read an embroidery chart and how to lace and frame your embroidery. This essential bible to stitching will become a trusted resource and a firm friend on your craft bookshelf.

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Purchased this book as I have been interested in learning hand embroidery and was looking for something a little more modern than books offering projects with geese and flowers. Very thorough

explanation of many stitches with large, clear illustrations and detailed instructions. The sample projects, while not cutting edge, are interesting but not overly fussy. Definitely a keeper for the needle arts library.

My grandmother taught me to embroider when I was little, but as I got older I forgot how to do it. This book really helped bring it all back. The only complaint I have about the book is the binding. If it was spiral bound it would be easier to use. Otherwise, the book is fantastic!

Excellent, informative, instructional tome! Everything is clear and easy to understand, and easy to look up for reference. Brief historical backgrounds are given regarding the different styles. 17 projects within are to help you practice. The sketch-like bird on the cover was what caught my eye, and now that I understand how it was done, I am inspired to branch out and possibly create my own patterns using the stitches in this book. Indeed, this is a Stitch Bible! Sections are as such: Getting Started Freestyle Hardanger Blackwork Crewelwork Goldwork Pulled Thread Canvaswork Drawn Thread (Templates and Charts)

Great book for anyone that does embroidery, cross stitch or hardangle. If you are new at it or an old pro, you may learn something.

This is an excellent needlework book covering a myriad of forms of needlework. I have about a dozen and this one is the most comprehensive and complete. I would recommend it to anyone wanting a detailed needlework instructional book.

Frankly I got this book based on the cover because it didn't give you the option to look inside and the library didn't have it. It's just such a good looking book and I love blackwork:) But I was slightly disappointed with the contents. It's called a "Bible" but the selection of stitches is by no means exhaustive. It's more like "your little bit of everything" collection of stitches. I think the bird is probably the best project in there. The stitches are drawn, not photographed. So if you want a great stitch reference get a used Complete Illustrated Stitch Encyclopedia right here on . It's not as stylish but I haven't seen anything more complete and interesting than that.

I am impressed with "The Stitch Bible" - it contains many illustrations, larger ones I can really see, with an occasional project. Different stitches and techniques are broken into chapters. Shows vastly

more stitches and fewer projects, which is exactly what I like. The book is very high quality, and covers an introductory section to aide beginners, then takes in higher skills. I've never seen GOLDWORK - with a couple small patterns. Marvelous!

This book is just great! It has excellent instructions and pictures for each stitch and also includes some patterns like the one on the book's cover. Good addition to my stitching library!

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