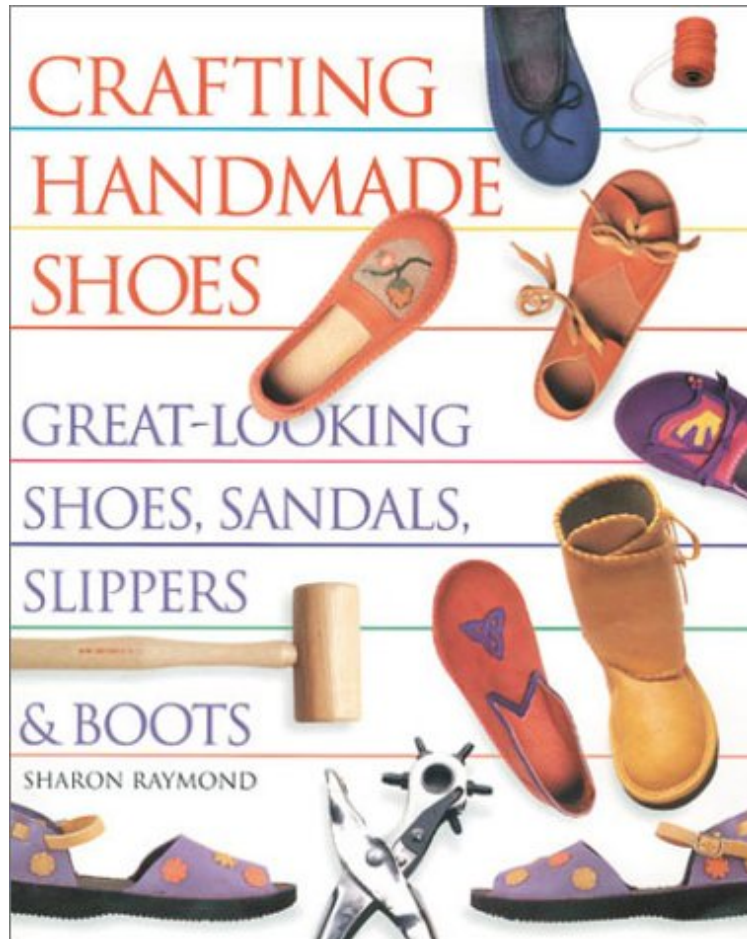


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will cost a little, but you can make one of the more simple designs in this book and not have to invest a lot of dough. The author even suggests taking the finished upper portion of your shoe to a shoe repair shop to have soles put on it...Sound wonderful to me, although I haven't tried to find a shop locally to see if that's really do-able. At any rate, if you want to make serious shoes, this book is definitely for you. And if you just want costume shoes, you can take the basic principles found in this book and do that, too. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The book was exactly what I wanted and in better condition than I expected. By Customer The book was exactly what I wanted and in better condition than I expected.

Make shoes that look stylish and feel great! Once you create your first beautiful pair, it won't be your last. The basic techniques are simple enough for beginners. And it's fun to make shoes distinctively yours--through your choice of materials and the many ways you can decorate them. A silk brocade scruff hints of silver-screen glamour and sheer luxury, while polar fleece slippers are cozy at-home footwear. In the warm weather, you'll want the Mediterranean T-strap sandal with a vamp that's woven in warm, bright-colored leather--it evokes sunny climes. Even little feet will be well shod: dress them up in fancy punched-design shoes in the softest leathers. Once you know the secrets of pattern-making, every pair can be custom-tailored to your feet so they fit perfectly. Now, how many store-bought shoes can you say that about?

From Booklist Raymond covers the fundamentals of shoemaking first, including pictures, sidebars with flair (did you know that platform heels were first worn by sixteenth-century Venetian prostitutes?), and great instructions for techniques. One after another, the approximately 30 patterns proceed--each one, quite frankly, more appealing than the last--from an apple pie-color sandal to a Santa Fe-like desert sunrise moccasin. Templates appended. Barbara Jacobs Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved About the Author Shutesbury, MA