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**Mary Gostelow : Embroidery: Traditional Designs, Techniques, and Patterns from All over the World** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Embroidery: Traditional Designs, Techniques, and Patterns from All over the World:

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one sprawling with photos Ms. Gostelow or her photographer husband have taken. Throughout the book are patterns and diagrams to make the garments or replicate the stitches as desired. The author has done a superlative job in this epic work. Consider supplementing it with her other books that span the world or specific lands: *The Complete International Book of Embroidery* *The Art of Embroidery: Great Needlework Collections of Britain and the United States* *Embroidery of All Russia* The book has stood the test of time and is a worthy and quite interesting work. \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COVER IMAGE IS INCORRECT. deleted customer-uploaded images in June 2013 so you can't see the cover or internal page images I uploaded. 10 of 11 people found the following review helpful. beautiful! By Tanya Brauer This book shows interesting details of embroidery from around the world, and specific instructions for creating projects inspired by the traditional designs. The photos and historical descriptions have greatly contributed to my knowledge of international design and needlework. If I had to choose one embroidery book for inspiration, this would be it!

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