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Join the DIY movement! There's a wide range of fun yet practical do-it-yourself projects to choose from. Learn something new or enhance your DIY skills in an area you are familiar with. With do-it-yourself projects you can save money, help the environment and boost your creativity.

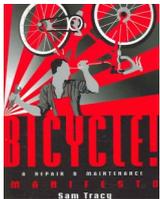


Beginner's Guide To DIY & Home Repair: Essential DIY Techniques For The First Timer

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If you are frustrated by your own inability to handle a repair, or resentful of having to pay someone to take care of simple home maintenance--you've come to the right place! Full of expert advice, this practical handbook features easy instructions for all the home DIY basics, from painting and wallpapering to simple plumbing, changing a lock, using power tools, fixing a squeaky board and much more. This title provides first-time homeowners and renters with the basic skills and guidance to get the job done. This ultimate reference guide for the DIY novice offers help for anyone who has a busy working life but still wants to make their home look good--without spending a fortune.

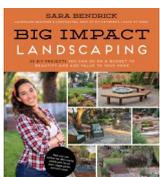


Bicycle!: A Repair & Maintenance Manifesto

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At their finest hours, bikes exist on a level above mere machines, and there's no reason the joy should end when the ride is over. Written by a working bicycle mechanic, this book cuts through the techno-speak and delivers maintenance clarity with a touch of humor and radicalism while categorically denying mechanics' supposed dreariness. Bicycle! is about encouraging society to learn for themselves how to make their bikes work, not because they have to, but because they want to. With detailed descriptions of all maintenance tasks and repair situations, clearly illustrated with photographs and drawings, this guide will serve the need for a serious rider's manual.



Big Impact Landscaping: 28 DIY Projects You Can Do On A Budget To Beautify And Add Value To Your Home

Sara Bendrick

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If you've ever looked at the weed-filled expanse that passes for your backyard and wondered why your family never uses it, then this book is for you. Sara Bendrick, host of *I Hate My Yard!* and *Build It Like Bendrick*, addresses the most common homeowner requests for affordable ways to bring privacy, shade, dining areas, fire features and manageable plantings into their yards to increase their enjoyment of outdoor spaces and increase the value of their home.

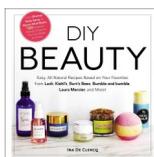


Countertop Gardens: Easily Grow Kitchen Edibles Indoors For Year-Round Enjoyment

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Whether you have a huge yard in a warm climate or a tiny apartment in a city with harsh winters, you can grow edibles year-round in the comfort and convenience of your own kitchen. *Countertop Gardens* will make you an expert in the world of indoor gardening, walking you through the challenges, benefits, and how-tos of growing inside and presenting the wide array of methods available. In addition to going over the pros and cons of a wide range of ready-made hydroponic, aquaponic, and vertical gardening systems, Levis shows you how to make your own DIY setups--from simple space-saving container designs to more creative and complex soil-free solutions. No matter the size of your kitchen or your ambition, *Countertop Gardens* will help you make sure your favorite herbs, greens, fruits, and vegetables are within reach 365 days a year.

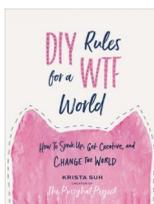


DIY Beauty: Easy, All-Natural Recipes Based On Your Favorites From Lush, Kiehl's, Burt's Bees, Bumble And Bumble, Laura Mercier, And More!

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Do you love indulging in self-care with fun beauty products, but want to save some money? Or maybe you take comfort in knowing exactly what you're using on your skin. Or maybe you just love do-it-yourself projects! With *DIY Beauty*, you can learn to make your favorite beauty products from some of today's most popular brands. Try making face scrubs inspired by Freeman favorites, an homage to The Body Shop's Mojito Body Scrub, or a homemade version of Burt's Bees ever-popular lip balm. From bath bombs to rival Lush to skin care products like e.l.f.'s blemish treatments, these inexpensive imitation recipes include easy step-by-step instructions to help you customize your beauty product routine.



DIY Rules for a WTF World: How to Speak Up, Get Creative, and Change the World

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On January 21, 2017, millions of protestors took part in the Women's March, and many of them created a "sea of pink" when they wore knitted pink "pussyhats" in record numbers. Creator of the Pussyhat Project, Krista Suh, took an idea and built a worldwide movement and symbol in just two months. But like so many women, Krista spent years letting her fears stop her from learning to live by her own rules.

Now Suh shares the tools, tips, experiences, "rules," and knitting patterns she uses to get creative, get bold, and change the world. From learning how to use your own intuition to decide which rules are right for you to finding your inner-courage to speak up fearlessly; from finding what your passions are (this might surprise you!) to dealing with the squelchers out there, this book not only inspires you to demolish the patriarchy, but also enables you to create your own rules for living, and even a movement of your own, all with gusto, purpose, and joy.

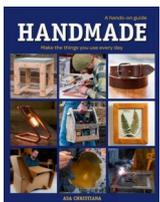


Do-It-Yourself Basics: Save Money, Solve Problems, Improve Your Home: The Basics Everyone Can Master

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Tried-and-true instructions provide do-it-yourself solutions to a ton of problems that could cost a fortune if you hired a professional. This manual is a "must-have" reference guide for every home-owner. Some of the everyday projects you will find in this book to make your life easier and your household more self-sufficient include: cleaning & replacing filters, easy plumbing fixes, painting hints & tips, garden & landscape ideas and auto repair basics.

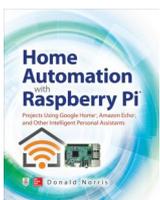


Handmade: A Hands-On Guide: Make the Things You Use Every Day

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Call it maker, handcrafted, or handmade, a new DIY movement has taken off big time. The common thread that ties makers to DIYers and handcrafters is the desire to build something rather than buy it. *Handmade: A Hands-On Guide* celebrates the movement and would-be makers with practical, doable projects that require only simple tools and techniques to complete. Author Asa Christiana is the former chief editor of *Fine Woodworking*, the most respected woodworking magazine in the world. These 25 accessible projects...accessible yet doable with a modest collection of simple tools and made from all sorts of materials?concrete, leather, digital tools, Arduino, welding, casting, and printing. Perfect for the armies of people of all ages who want to dive into the movement but haven't yet summoned up the courage, this book will guarantee success for anyone who picks it up.



Home Automation With Raspberry Pi: Projects Using Google Home, Amazon Echo, And Other Intelligent Personal Assistants

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Gain the skills needed to create a hi-tech home--affordably and easily. This hands-on guide shows, step by step, how to use the powerful Raspberry Pi for home automation. Written in an easy-to-follow style, the book features DIY projects for Amazon Echo, Google Home, smart light bulbs and thermostats, and more. This title lays out essential skills for hobbyists and makers of all ages and experience levels. You

will discover how to build gadgets that can work in conjunction with--or in some cases replace--commercially available smart home products. Inside, you'll learn how to: design and build custom home automation devices, interface a Google Home device to your Raspberry Pi, connect Google Voice Assistant to RasPi Incorporate GPIO control using the Amazon Echo, navigate home automation operating systems Use Z-Wave in your RasPi HA projects, work with sensors and develop home security systems, and tie your projects together to create an integrated home automation system



Ultimate Sewing Bible: A Complete Reference with Step-By-Step Techniques

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You'll turn to this resource again and again! *The Ultimate Sewing Bible* is THE essential guide to sewing, providing hundreds of illustrations and instructions that make the learning process simple. Divided into seven sections to cover each skill, it offers ample opportunities for variations that the more advanced stitcher will enjoy putting into play. From choosing the right machine and picking fabrics to reading dressmaking patterns and altering existing garments, from sewing simple napkins to constructing a slipcover and upcycling fabrics and trimmings, this stylish and contemporary book covers it all?including information on caring for and repairing your projects, and a glossary to every sewing term.

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