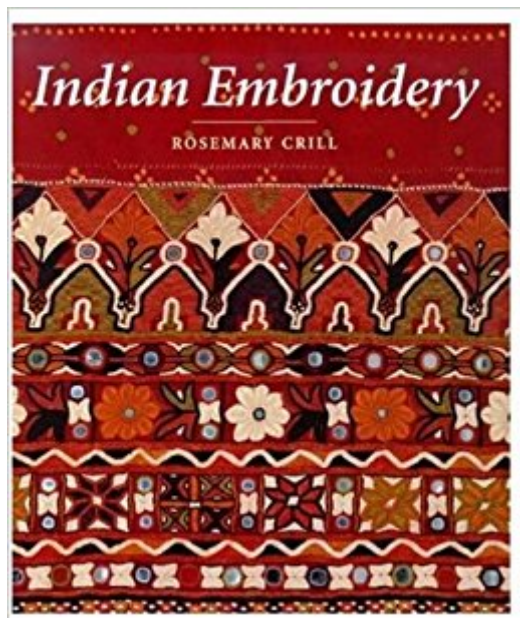


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Customer Reviews

The first review is valid, if you are looking for a description of techniques, or already know the exact source of the textiles you have acquired, this book is not especially useful. But I sometimes buy pieces that are unidentified or are misidentified, or are not very specifically described - say "Indian" or "South East Asian". Apart from the sheer pleasure of paging through the illustrations, and enjoying this book for the design inspiration it provides it also has helped me to put a name and place to 3 or 4 mystery textiles. As a compendium of Indian embroidery designs it has been the most inclusive that I have run across so far.

I don't know why the other reviews disparage this book as being "just" a picture book and not particularly useful. What could possibly be more useful than a picture book of fabulous examples of Indian embroidery...the very title of the book???For heaven's sake, Rosemary Crill is the Senior Curator of The Fabric of India Exhibition at the Victoria & Albert Museum. I have this and several other of the author's books including:V&A Pattern: Indian Florals: (Hardcover with CD)Dress in Detail From Around the WorldChintz Indian Textiles for the WestColours of the Indus: Costumes and Textiles of PakistanAnd these are only a handful of other of Ms. Crill's works:Hats from

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