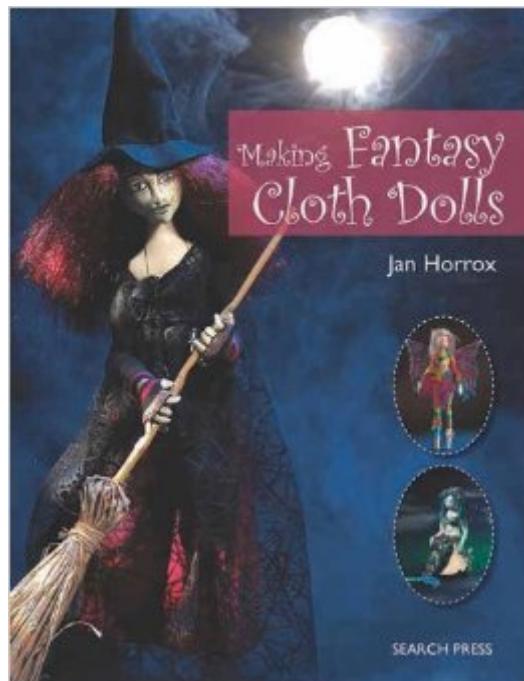


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# Making Fantasy Cloth Dolls



## **Synopsis**

Building on the success of Jan Horrox's previous book, *Introduction to Making Cloth Dolls*, Jan's new book focuses on her exquisite fantasy dolls, including beautiful fairies, amazing mermaids, an enigmatic witch and a steampunk doll with attitude. These magical dolls are full of character and are amazingly easy to achieve with the help of this practical book. Step-by-step instructions are provided for all the basic techniques, including how to make the bodies, heads, arms, legs, hands and feet; how to make the hair; and how to needlesculpt and paint the exquisite faces to really bring your character to life. There are instructions for making webbed fingers, delicate fairy wings as well as a mermaid's tail, and there are three easy-to-follow projects to put all your newly acquired skills into practice. Jan encourages the reader to use their imagination and create dolls of their own, and the alternative designs that accompany each project show how easily this can be done simply by changing the faces, colours, fabrics and embellishments used.

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## **Customer Reviews**

I am new at this craft and needed a book like this: easy to understand and step by step instructions. It arrived about a week ago, and I put myself to work as soon as I read it. The instructions are very understandable. Being new to this craft I needed something for beginners. I wish it had more patterns, but it is ok. I think I am busy now with the few ones it offers.

I am already a doll maker, and I ordered this book for some new ideas. I was very pleased with the dolls and the techniques taught in this book. Also, this would be a FINE book to order if you are new

to doll making.

I have been sewing and crafting for many years with experience in making bridal gowns to Barbie doll clothes, etc and although I love the look of these dolls I have yet to get past attempting to make the dolls head. The instructions are very limited with important notes not listed thus making ,what my 15 year old granddaughter who is very talented in drawing was going to do the faces on the doll heads, waiting in limbo for me to complete a doll head. We were so excited to make these dolls as a team but until I can figure out exactly how to proceed with making the heads we can't get any further in completing just 1 doll.

Interesting book. I a lot of quilting type sewing, and thought it would be fun to expand my sewing adventures. I have not yet tried to make these wonderful dolls so I cannot attest to the quality of the directions here. All that said, I am glad I bought the book. I can have already absorbed good information.

This book, along with her first one, "Introduction to Making Cloth Dolls", was indispensable for my very first cloth doll attempt. The photos and instructions clearly show what needs to be done at each step of the doll construction. I liked that the patterns given in the book of the projects featured are actual size - no adjusting necessary. And how the parts can be interchangeable. I took a fairy doll's body from the first book and combined with the head, arms, and tail of the mermaid doll from the second book with minor adjustments. You can follow her pattern & instructions exactly to make a doll just like hers or experiment to come up with your own. There's enough instructions in the book to get you started on a doll of your own design if you're determined and imaginative. I've really enjoyed both of her books.

I love all the ideas and doll samples in this book. The instructions seem to be relatively easy, I have completed a few of the dolls and am very pleased.

Wonderfully creative ideas and how to do them are inside this book. I have been interested in creating mermaid dolls, and Jan Horrox has included patterns and ideas for this type of doll, along with other 'fantasy' cloth dolls. Filled with color photos and how-to instructions on all the various body parts, I'm glad I added this book to my library.

I received this book in a timely manner. It is very informative. Jan Horrox is a very good doll maker and instructor. The directions are clear and easy to understand.

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