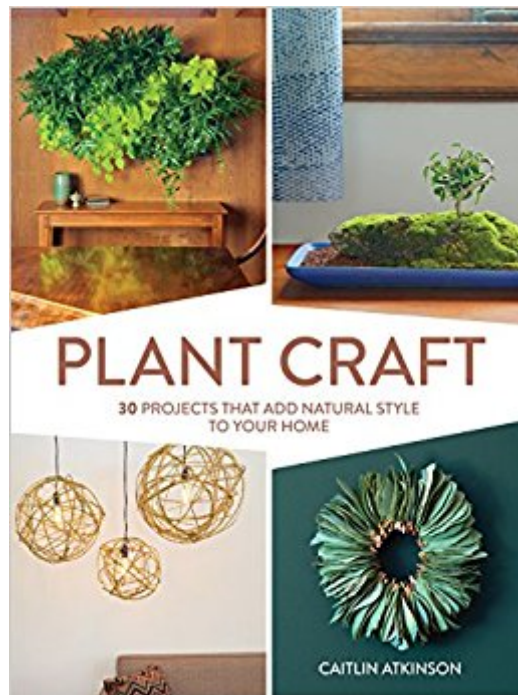




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Plant Craft: 30 Projects That Add Natural Style To Your Home



Synopsis

Discover the simple beauty of adding natural style to a space! Not everyone has a garden—but with only a handful of materials and a little bit of time, everyone can bring the beauty of nature into their home. Plant Craft features projects inspired by the natural world and made out of live plants, cut flowers, foraged branches, and more. You'll learn how to create a colorful floral mural, an elegant table centerpiece, a serene underwater sculpture, a whimsical mobile, and more. The step-by-step instructions are clear, easy to follow, and fully illustrated with color photographs, and the projects vary in difficulty. Given the right care, they all have the potential to grace a home for a long time.

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Customer Reviews

“Caitlin has an exacting eye, a deep love of nature, and an astonishing ability to create beauty out of natural materials.” —Flora Grubb, owner of Flora Grubb Gardens

“The projects are well organized, with clear, bold photos illustrating each step. . . . recommended for the instruction and diversity of ideas.” —Library Journal

“A book where natural and crafting perfectly meet. . . . [Caitlin Atkinson] is a trifecta of creativity: she is a photographer, stylist, and crafter, and so it is no wonder that her talent and visual sense come through in each project.” —Gardenista

“Bring the outdoors in by putting together one of the 30 projects in photographer Caitlin Atkinson’s Plant Craft—she has a whimsical way with natural materials like foraged branches, cut flowers, and plants.”

•Martha Stewart Living – “Fresh and achievable, the ideas come at the perfect time in the change of seasons. What better way to add life to interiors throughout the colder months ahead?” • Sunset “Step-by-step instructions for 30 projects that make your home a little greener; most are stylish, creative ways to bring living plants inside.” • The Los Angeles Times – “Apartment dwellers, rejoice! With just a few inexpensive materials and a spirited imagination, you can bring the outdoors in with step-by-step projects from author Caitlin Atkinson.” • Better Homes and Gardens – “Delivers lush, knowledgeable, and surprising ways to beautify your home and bring nature into your life—so accessible, you’ll want to start right away!” • The Horticult – “Indoor garden projects are immensely rewarding, bringing renewed life into your home and keeping you connected with nature, which is extra beneficial during the winter months. The Threaded-Leaf Wreath in Plant Craft: 30 Projects That Add Natural Style to Your Home couldn’t be a better-suited uplifting holiday project.” • Powell’s Books Blog – “Full of DIYs that artfully marry home and garden, Plant Craft by Caitlin Atkinson is a boon to anyone looking to keep busy during the winter season. . . . The book’s calm, clean photos feature modern garden projects that are especially accessible for those working with small spaces.” • Garden Collage – “As a garden photographer and former merchandiser and floral designer for an urban garden store, Atkinson has had a lot of practice bringing green indoors. Each example in the book is thoughtfully explained and beautifully photographed.” • Garden Design – “The creativity here is quite astonishing. From making a concrete planter to planting up a chandelier, making photograms from plant juices, wall hangings from air plants and willow spheres for pendant lights, you won’t run short of ideas. Popular bonsai, terrariums and kokedama techniques are also covered in depth. The step by step pictures and captions are very easy to follow, and the results beautifully photographed. If you’re bored of static houseplant displays and looking for ways to green up your interior, this inspirational book is for you.” • Garden Answers

Turn Your Decor Outside In Discover your own natural style, with 30 step-by-step projects inspired by the authenticity of the world around us. In Plant Craft, interior stylist Caitlin Atkinson helps match your tastes with nature’s handiwork. Design a chandelier of trailing succulents, create an underwater driftwood garden, delight visitors with whimsical tillandsia nests, or grow a living wall of plants. Most projects can be completed within an hour or two. Want to infuse your home with the appeal and beauty of the natural world? Plant Craft shows you how.

I loved this outstanding book by Caitlin Atkinson, who both wrote and photographed this book. I recommend it to anyone who loves plants and crafts. There are 30 craft projects and over 250 pages. Each highly original craft is beautifully photographed first as a full page and then photographed step-by-step with very clear instructions. The crafts bring nature into your home in a uniquely creative way. There are lots of great craft ideas that are actually simple and doable. I've already tried my hand at the Living Wreath on page 184 and both my husband and I really love it. It was lots of fun to make and now I have a lovely wreath to use year round.

So many lovely creative projects! Can't wait to start on some of these. Nicely thought out book front to back.

Very unusual ideas that I had not seen before!

I enjoyed this book very much since it combined two of my favorite things...plants and crafts. The first part of the book gives information on the types of plants that work best for these projects, and advice on how to best care for them, while the rest gives detailed instructions for creating 30 different projects incorporating plants and other materials. Usually, when I buy a book like this, I feel I've gotten my money's worth if I like 50% of the projects enough to consider making them. This seems reasonable as tastes differ. So I was surprised and delighted to find that I liked about 90% of the projects in this book. That's not to say that I'll make them all, but they are all things I'd love to have in my house. The instructions for each project are well organized and supported with numerous photos. There are descriptions, with photos, of what tools and supplies you will need, as well as step by step instructions for creating each project. I'm a bit tool-challenged, and not all that crafty, so seeing all this detailed information really gave me confidence that I could actually create these beautiful things. The layout of this book is exceptionally well thought out. The photos were lovely and the layout on each page was a pleasure to view. I found it enjoyable just to look through it. I was very impressed with this book and highly recommend it. Note: I received a copy of this book from the publisher via NetGalley in exchange for an honest review.

All projects are highly original and the final articles are striking. They include a Planted Chandelier, a Threaded Leaf Wreath, a Living Diorama, a Water Sculpture Garden, a Lava Rock Bonsai, a

Tillandsia Nest, a Lush Vertical Garden, a Staghorn Fern Shadow Box etc. Each project details materials and tools needed with clear and easy to follow step-by-step written instructions for completion of them. There is a clear photograph accompanying every step. This book is filled with stunning photos of both the finished projects and the step-by-step process to getting there. Not surprising really when it is known that the author is a photographer by trade! As well as the plants and botanicals, materials needed for the projects include wood, glass, clay, dry concrete mix, sand, gravel, florist wire and many more. A variety of DIY and gardening tools are also required. There is a detailed section on plants for the home, together with information about the use and care of them. Many thanks to NetGalley for an ARC of this book. I have written a voluntary honest review. Unfortunately, this book is not what I thought it was going to be. I was hoping that I could do a number of these projects with some of the students that I teach, but I believe that the vast majority of these will be too challenging for them. For this reason, this review is based with a more appropriate target audience in mind - all the budding artistic/creative gardener and DIY enthusiasts.

Thanks to NetGalley and Timber Press for the arc of Plant Craft: 30 Projects that Add Natural Style to Your Home by Caitlin Atkinson! The first project shown right off the start is a fun succulent planter! The book contains facts, such as epiphytes are air plants (I didn't know that), detailed plant care and maintenance for outdoor and indoor plants, charts for troubleshooting, suggested plants for projects and the care required for each one. Projects include color photos, materials and tools needed, step by step instructions with photos, watering, care and maintenance requirements and plenty of creativity - 4 stars!

I found this to be such a beautiful and inspiring book. It has easy to follow instructions and really makes you want to get some more greenery around the home or to make as gifts to family and friends. There is loads of information at the start covering things such as the best materials to use, the best types of plants, lighting, temperature, containers, general care and maintenance plus common problems. All of the projects give extensive instructions along with their materials and tools list plus alternative suggestions. Lots of pictures accompany each step of the building and assembly process with the ideal watering, light, temperature and maintenance applicable to each project as well. There really are some great ideas in this book ranging from those that are quite easy and don't require too many materials, to those that are a little bit more complex and time consuming depending on your preference. Overall this would make a great coffee table book as well as a lovely gift for anyone who is a bit crafty and loves plants or do-it-yourself projects.

This is a professional practical step by step guide for nature lovers, it teaches you exactly how to give your home a touch of nature and elegance. Every idea communicated in this book is super easy to understand. I totally recommend the Plant Craft for nature lovers.

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