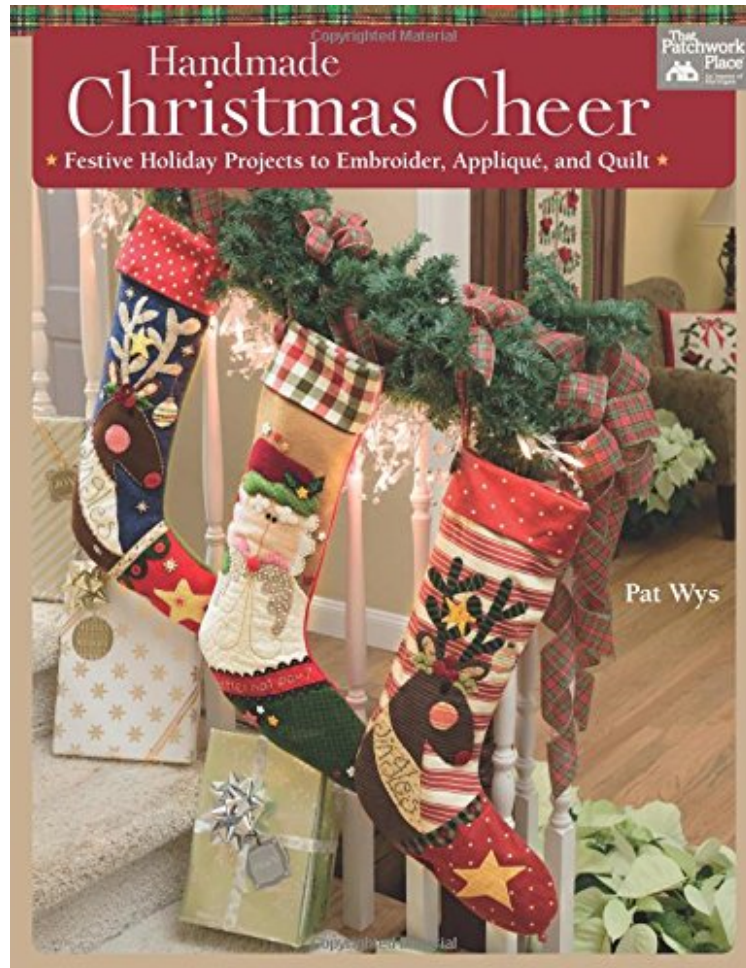


# Handmade Christmas Cheer: Festive Holiday Projects to Embroider, Applique, and Quilt

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**Pat Wys : Handmade Christmas Cheer: Festive Holiday Projects to Embroider, Applique, and Quilt** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Handmade Christmas Cheer: Festive Holiday Projects to Embroider, Applique, and Quilt:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Embroidered, Crayon Tinted Appliqued ChristmasBy ElleThe cute stockings on this book's cover hooked me. I am a fool for stockings, as I love to give them as gifts! In addition to the stockings, we can make pillow cases, top sheets, mug rugs, silverware caddies, placemats, napkins, a table runner, a mantel runner, tea towels, a wall hanging, a wreath pillow, coffee cup sleeves, tree skirt, a covering for a candle lamp,

and a beautiful 52x72-inch quilt. Most projects are embellished with embroidery, some kind of applique (much of it using wool), and crayon tinting, which works beautifully, is long lasting, and has been around for a long time. The projects that made their way to my list is the reindeer stocking, the Christmas light pillowcases, the mug rugs (wouldn't they make cute potholders?), the table runner (with redwork embroidered text), the tea towels, and the "Home for Christmas" pillow featuring a wreath of holly and cardinals. Wow! I need to get busy! Each project comes with detailed/illustrated instructions and materials required. In addition, there are complete instructions on using crayons for tinting fabric (I recommend buying a separate box of white crayons if you're going to be doing a lot of tinting), cutting and piecing hexagons, and an entire section on hand stitching in the back of the book, which covers: working with wool, recommended threads/floss, needles, fabric preparation, transferring embroidery patterns, pens used for tracing patterns, applique, and embroidery. The embroidery instructions include: running stitch, back stitch, stem stitch, fly stitch, closed fly stitch, Palestrina knot, rosette chain stitch, bullion knot, bullion loop, French knot, couching, satin stitch, lazy daisy stitch, and the star stitch. No worries, all of these stitches have illustrations walking us through them. There are no instructions for finishing the quilted projects, instead there is a website to visit for this free illustrated information. All of the templates/diagrams are full size and the embroidery diagrams are in color. Sprinkled throughout the book are a few of the author's favorite seasonal recipes, including: Cranberry Casserole, Razmosas, Salmon with Brown Sugar and Mustard Glaze, Crab Cakes, Christmas Breakfast Strata, and Super Easy French Toast Casserole. Happy Stitching!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. ALL projects are winners in this fun project book

By GrannyGoose This is one of the few books of this type where I love ALL the projects. The patterns are on sheets of sturdy paper and perforated for easy removal. No more prying open staples to remove patterns. Great photos of projects and the price was the best part!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. One of the best Christmas pattern book

By guitarheroine Great pattern book! This book is filled with simple and beautiful Christmas decorations. I can't wait to take out my sewing machine and get to work!

With this unique collection of holiday patterns, best-selling author Pat Wys highlights the handmade touch. Enjoy many creative moments and the memories they'll create year after year. Adorn festive projects for every room in the house with embroidery, cotton or wool applique, and even beading and other embellishments. Choose from 16 projects that honor tradition--with a touch of whimsy Create stockings, bed and table linens, coasters, place mats, a wreath quilt, tree skirt, and more Mix and match 76 delightful holiday embroidery designs--words, phrases, and motifs--to enhance your decorations and gifts

If you did not get started on your Christmas sewing in July then you need to know there is still plenty of time for you to create those lovely hand-made gifts everyone cherishes. My new favorite book this season is called *Handmade Christmas Cheer-Festive Holiday Projects to Embroider, Applique, and Quilt* by Pat Wys. This book is packed full of smaller projects that you will enjoy working on, yet you still have time to finish them before the crush of the holidays hits. There are 16 projects in the book ranging from stockings, bed and table linens, coaster, place mats, a wreath quilt and a tree skirt to name a few. The 76 holiday embroidery designs... words, phrases and motifs... will add a touch of whimsy and delight to your projects. The applique pieces are quite manageable and should go fast. Whether you are looking for a small teacher gift or a special Christmas quilt I know you will find a project in this book that you will enjoy making as well as giving.

--The Applique Society Newsletter, Sept/Oct 2015

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