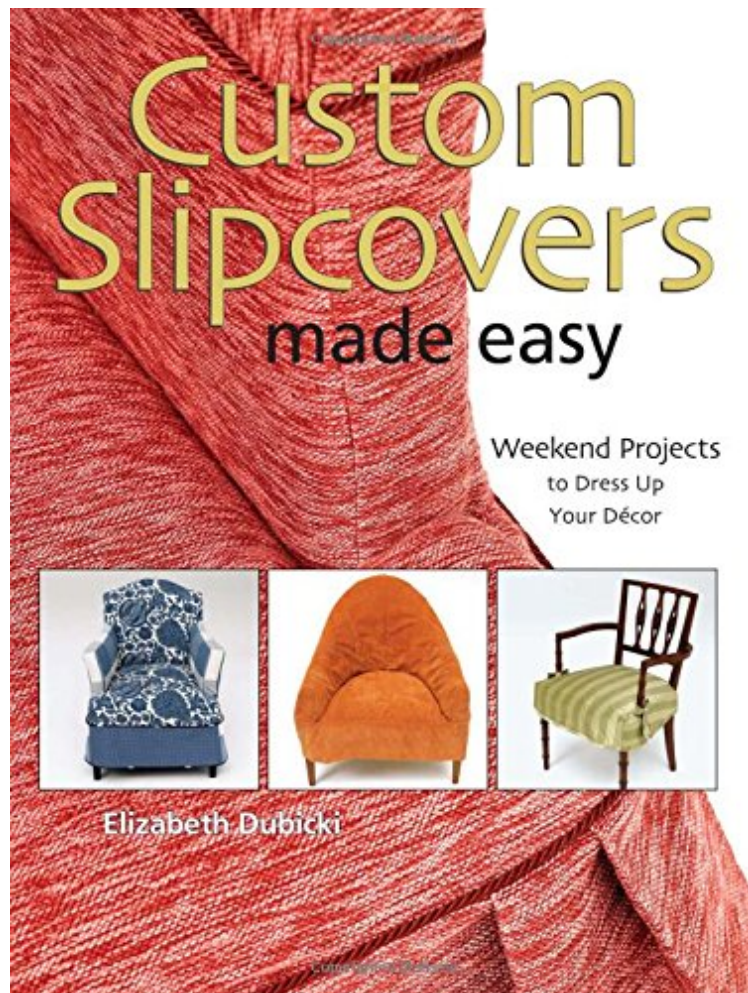


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73 of 75 people found the following review helpful. Easy to understand By Happy Mom I bought both this book and Neubauer's Complete Photo Guide to Slipcovers (CPGS). I prefer this one. Custom Slipcovers Made Easy is in a spiral binding inside. The outside is hardcover. You can open the book to the page you want to work from, and it will stay open and flat. I love that. The pictures offer easy directions. Measuring is done on real chairs, muslin covers have dotted lines to show you what to look at, layout directions are shown as are fabric repeats, directions are given for unusually shaped chairs, creative finishes are explained, and the end result is tailored. The appendix is full of charts to

fill in for your particular chair. Charts cover furniture dimensions, cutting chart for shell/cushions/skirts, layout graphs for various fabric widths, yardage yield for bias, and shopping lists. The author even suggests photocopying these. Additionally, the author writes as though she is speaking to you. The book reads as friendly rather than as a textbook. She encourages you and makes you feel that you will be successful. Need more information about the author's skills? She writes for Threads, the penultimate sewing magazine IMO. I may check out CPGS on occasion, but this is the book I will really use. 8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. For experienced sewers only. By Alli M. I think that the projects in this book are only "made easy" if you already have a thorough understanding of sewing techniques. For example, although zipper insertion is illustrated with photos, the presentation would be very difficult to follow if you did not have previous experience with inserting zippers. In other places, steps in various processes are assumed rather than explained fully. I am a fairly experienced sewer and am able to follow the instructions, but I think it would be challenging for a novice. Also, the styles displayed are largely outdated (at least in my world). All of that said, the photo illustrations in the book are helpful, and this book does cover a number of techniques that would be helpful for someone looking to slipcover traditional pieces of furniture. 9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Custom Slip Covers Made Easy. By Angela C. This book has step by step instructions and loads of great ideas and pictures on how to make and customize slip covers. Going through the entire book is fun but overwhelming if you've never made slip covers. I think that is what happened to the previous owner of this book because it did not look used when I received it. All the "tools" you will need to make slip covers are listed in the book and the instructions are very clear and concise. If you follow the instructions step by step and have all the right "tools" straight pins, measuring tapes, ect it isn't that difficult. Everything has its learning curve and once you've made your first pattern and slip cover the next one is much easier. This book is not for beginners. You need to be an intermediate to advanced sewer.

Includes projects for fashion-conscious sewers who like to be creative and save money using yard sale treasures to mimic expensive designer originals. Helps sewers achieve a customized, and upholstered look with slipcovers. Custom Slipcovers Made Easy features a range of stylish projects to create seasonal "clothing" for furniture that is as practical and durable as grandma's slipcovers. Simple instructions and illustrated techniques enable even first time sewers to learn a new skill to try something new to liven up any living space. The 25 projects cover a wide array of furniture coverings for chairs, sofa sleepers, love seats, items in a child's room and even a custom cover for a dog crate.