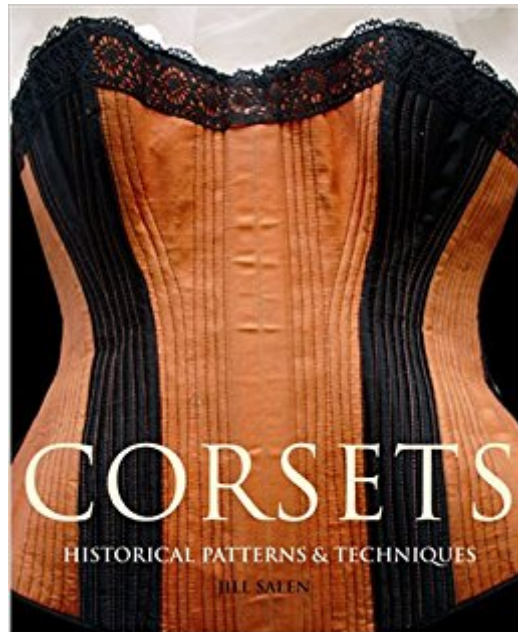




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Corsets: Historical Patterns & Techniques



Synopsis

25 beautiful and historically accurate pattern of corsets 1750-1917 taken from private and museum collections. Each stunning example is accompanied by a pattern, photographs and drawings, plus an historical overview giving invaluable insight into making up these period pieces. This book also contains two step-by-step projects, a 1790 hand stitched corset and a 1900 machined corset. The book includes practical advice on construction and period detail, from inserting gussets and split buskin insertion to eyelets and flossing. Students of Costume and Fashion should find this a necessary addition to their bookshelf.

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Customer Reviews

This is a high-level overview of corsets through the centuries. It starts early 1700s and goes through until the 1920s. It has patterns that you can scale up for all corsets inside and it has generalized tips and tricks for construction as well as a brief overview or history. This is not an in-depth book though this isn't something that a person who is an intermediate to advanced could really gain a lot from unless they specifically wanted the patterns but it is a great resource to have for anyone interested in corsets and sewing. This is not an in-depth book though this isn't something that a person who is an intermediate to advanced could really gain a lot from unless they specifically wanted the patterns but it is a great resource to have for anyone interested in corsets and sewing them.

This book was referred on one of my face book groups. I am so pleased that I ordered it! The

photos are beautiful and the patterns are detailed. I have made one simple corset but now I want to get more precise and experienced making them. This book will be of great help. It arrived boxed and in excellent condition....I usually buy used books and this one looks like it had been handled very little!

Great book for the intermediate, advanced to professional pattern drafter who had a love for corsets. The patterns are very clear, however the written information is not so clear, this book would be more for the intermediate to advanced to professional corsetmaker who does not need all the construction, and materials explained out to them

This book arrived in a timely manner and in good condition. As to the contents of the text, I couldn't be happier!! I'm currently a student, but outside of classes I love to research and when time permits, recreate historical clothing. This book contains a variety of corset patterns and information from the 18th century to the early 20th century. The information included with each corset and the tips for recreating them is also invaluable to the writing. I would definitely recommend this to someone interested in historical corsets and/or the creation of such garments.

The book explains everything one needs to know, however it is better if the person knows how to sew, had at least one flat pattern or draping class. The graph helped me in terms of measuring, along with the hints on sewing/designing the garments. I just happen to have the same grid paper shown on each page. The fingers on the corset on page 31 was very helpful. I ordered a short busk, about 6 inches for my smaller waist corset, and experimented with the garters. Your instructions about flossing as a decorative stitch is a nice touch, and your instructions were clear and understandable. I must try those!! I cut my binding on the bias, because this gives me better control when I sew it on using tiny stitches. The smaller stitches work better using "between" needles. I am willing to find a commercial twill-weave that will work for me to accommodate the tiny needles. The book is simply beautiful with a whole lot of information!!

The patterns in this book are pieces of art. The book shows the finishings, the techniques in each corset and say something about the making, but it's not a book for beginners. Anyone who wants to reproduce those corsets must have some knowledge about corset making beforehand. This book makes me want to build a corset right now! The pictures inside are very nice, and the reading was easy. The patterns are easy to copy too. And the instructions seems easy to follow. The only thing I

think it must be changed is the cover: it must be hardcover!! Today this book comes in brochure, but it's content is so rich that it must come in hardcover in the next editions.

Great book for those that want to learn corsetry. This book contains many example of historical corsets starting in the 18th century. Along with having history, it also highlights construction techniques and has patterns for most of the corsets shown, including the one pictured on the front page. It also an appendix with 2 projects. You do need to be an experienced sewer to make the best use of this book however. The only reason I'm not giving this book 4 stars is because the print quality is bad on the last 15 pages or so.

Great pics of historical corsets. Assumes that you have some corset making background as directions are somewhat skimpy. Also need to be able to enlarge patterns to fit your body. But what a great book!

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