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The Ultimate Hairstyle Handbook



Synopsis

In this book you will find everyday hairstyles for the everyday girl. There are over 400 pictures and over 40 hairstyles with step-by-step picture tutorials. There are many tutorials where long hair is needed but there are also many hairstyle tutorials that work with short and medium length hair! You will also find haircare tips that address how to grow long, healthy hair. This book is perfect to keep in your bathroom to reference on those low inspiration days. This is also a perfect gift for your daughter, friend, wife, girlfriend or sister!

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Customer Reviews

The hairstyles are great, don't get me wrong. There's a good mix of "trendy" and "wear-to-work." But I feel the need to warn buyers that a) this is NOT a book for beginners; and b) this ONLY has hairstyles for very long hair. If you're like me and can't french braid your own hair or have longish medium-length hair, don't waste the money. Maybe I'm just uniquely useless at hairstyling, but that's why I bought a book! The photos are close-ups so it's hard to figure out where the model is positioning her hands, and because most of them are in black and white it can be difficult to figure out the precise instructions (the photo quality could be better). I have tried several of the "easier"

styles on myself (bohemian, braid-bun) with absolutely no success. If you have long hair and already have moderate hairstyling skill, you won't go wrong. But if your hair isn't six inches past your shoulders or you're just starting to experiment with your hair and struggling, this is only going to confound you.

I had a braiding hairstyle book when I was in Jr High back in '90, '91 and it had much better instructional writing and pictures to go off of. I do like the option of going to videos, but sometimes I am unable to watch the videos for noise reason and it's not that easy to braid with ear buds in. I also wish you could enlarge the pictures. They seem so tiny to me to see detail. Though, the progression was nice, starting with "the basic", then working up and using previous techniques to create the next look. To me it seemed more of a beginner to intermediate book. But I love to collect new ideas, which I did get at least two new ideas from this one. Though I was left with a feeling of wishing I'd have given it to the library for this rather than purchased it.

Had hoped for more varieties of classic braids, not braids, variations and a bunch of twists and buns. Disappointing, thin, pamphlet-like book, not many styles for the price. Not worth the money. The Braiding Handbook is thicker, cheaper, has more styles than this. Not recommended at all.

The photos and instructions are very basic. You would do better using a YouTube video or Pinterest. Also, mine has a random story about a pet pig in the middle...? Very weird. Returning it.

Not what I expected, there are very few hairstyles to try. Nothing too special or over the top. I had high hopes for this book but it was a complete let down. Wish I hadn't spent the \$, you could learn more on Pinterest.

I am slightly inept when it comes to my hair. I have a lot of hair, but not a lot of skill. I was excited to try this book as (unlike many of the books I considered) most of the styles are contemporary and feminine, and most seem adaptable to curly/wavy hair (thanks, Abby!). I also appreciated the mix of casual and dressy looks. The book did meet all of those expectations! I also felt the hair care tips included in the front of the book; I like the addition of the importance of hair care and maintenance in addition to styling. I also LOVED that ALL the images are full color images. Although I love my own (and others') dark hair, I think it's a huge positive that she has light hair to model; it's a little easier to note the depth/details/layers in images of light hair. And overall, the size of the book is good. Large

enough to allow good image size, but not oversized and unwieldy. Styles are, unsurprisingly, geared toward long or medium-to-long hair. With the exception of a few images of children, the author appears to be the hair model for every style. However, I did have to deduct a star for two (sort of three) reasons. 1.) The "Mane Reason" (my half-hearted apologies for the pun...) that I deducted the star was that this simply did not "start at the foundation" of every style. She presumes you already both know how to do a few braids and (more importantly, to me) know how to do them on your OWN head (I can French braid a friend's straight hair; however French braiding my own curly/wavy mess is way challenging). I think there should have been some space devoted particularly to those skills. As it was, I was lost time and again. Her website does help a bit with this. I would have liked TONS of tips on working with your own hair when it's hard to see what you're doing! 2.) Not every step is shown in every style. This relates to the above, but I felt it worth mentioning individually. Styles are shown One Style to a page/One Page to a Style. So, the step-by-step process seems in places to be abbreviated. Perhaps this is a moment to speak to the publisher: add a few more pages if necessary. 3.) I wish this came with spiral binding. That would make it more user friendly while styling. A bonus I did not expect: the book does include an access code for Abby's website tutorials. I would recommend this to anyone with a basic set of hair styling skills. Can you French Braid your own hair without cursing it? If yes, buy this book. If no, you may want to master that first. I think this is for "advanced beginners" and up. True clueless girls (like me!) will find it more challenging. If that's you, ask yourself how much effort you are willing to commit. If you're ready to apply yourself, buy it but realize you'll need to couple it with some help (from a friend or online). This book won't take you from zero.

This book offers very creative and fun hairstyles! I appreciate the fact the author uses real photos of how to do the hairstyles while she is creating the hairstyle for herself. I bought this book for my sister for Christmas- she has long hair herself and is extremely talented for creating hairstyles. It offers many modern and unique hairstyle tutorials that you may find in Pinterest or magazines. The book also gives you her website with a password to unlock videos and tutorials on how to do the hairstyles. However if you are a person who struggles with more intricate styles with your hair or gets frustrated easily this one may be a struggle for you. If braids come easily to you than this will be no problem!! Even if you aren't good with hair, this still offers ideas and inspirations for creating a very interesting look with your hair.

Excelente producto, I buy it (open box) And it was a great deal, still new and everything!!

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