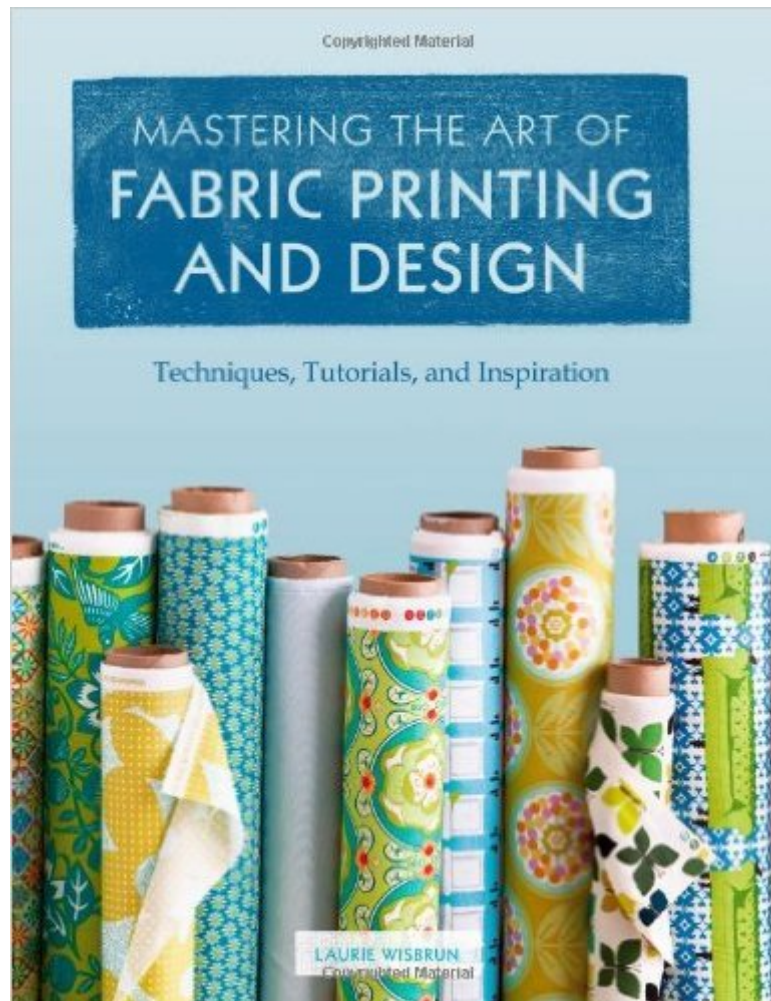


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# Mastering The Art Of Fabric Printing And Design



## Synopsis

This authoritative guide outlines everything readers need to know to create gorgeous fabrics. There's nothing like it on the market! Collected within are step-by-step tutorials for designing patterns (both digitally and by hand), a comprehensive section on printing techniques including digital printing, screen printing, stenciling, block printing, and resist dyeing and even insider tips for developing a collection and bringing it to the marketplace. Beautifully illustrated with swatches of exquisite fabrics and hundreds of photos, and featuring interviews with established designers such as Skinny laMinx, Ink & Spindle, and Julia Rothman, *Mastering the Art of Fabric Printing and Design* is a key resource for anyone looking to learn the basics, expand their skill set, or find design inspiration.

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## Customer Reviews

I've been a fan of Laurie Wisbrun's designs for quite a while so I had great expectations for this book and I wasn't disappointed. This book is great at being succinct in its explanations with enough information to be truly helpful and not too much to overwhelm. It broke down the process of creating, printing and selling fabric so well and gave tips, tricks and hints along the way. I don't make it through many of these types of books but this one kept me engaged from beginning to end. It's given me a lot to think about and allowed me to draft a plan for my own designs.

I'm new to surface pattern design and have bought a couple of good books on the topic. This is

excellent. There is so much in this book to learn - it is angled at digital printing of surface patterns but does cover other printing methods in good detail. It covers the main players in digital printing retailing (like Spoonflower) - as well as gives good instruction on how to create different pattern types (such as repeat patterns, random patterns etc) suitable for printing. It also has some really great interviews with a range of designers, some of whom I am aware of, some of whom were new to me - always a good thing to get variety. I would definitely recommend this to people looking to take a step up from basic fabric printing to creating commercial, usable fabrics for selling.

I really like that it showed me how to do repeats. I am using basic photo software (PSE11), but with her instructions, I was able to do repeats that I didn't think I could do. I am only 3/4 way through but I thought it has been very informative. I had never designed fabric before but now, within two or three weeks, I have designed 6 different fabrics and adapted them to three different color families.

I previously purchased another fabric design book that I thought was very good. However, this book is GREAT and even more helpful. I'm a newbie to fabric design, but not to technology, and I'm happy that this book covers both areas. I think though, that it's not just for newbies, but also for those who are experienced 'old-school' designers who are looking to become more tech savvy. Or like me: the creative tech savvy fashion/graphic designer/artist - that is new to fabric/textile design. I'm almost finished with the book, but will keep it on hand as a reference. p.s. I almost forgot to mention that the binding on this book is textured and I love it. It 'told' me even before I opened it: "I'm special!".

Great for beginners. However, beginner I am not so it was really not enough for me. If you are a true beginner I'm sure you'd get a lot out of this book!

I liked this book because it treated so many aspects of fabric design: marketing, hand printing, following trends, understanding color issues, etc. I also liked all the samples of fabric that were included. I am sure there is much more to learn about this entire field of endeavor but this gave me a taste of what is involved. I would recommend this to anyone with an initial interest in the topic.

I am happy about, so far about what I am reading. I browsed through the chapters to see if it has information for what I bought it for. It seems to have everything I need to learn. I'm not finished with it. I'll have to make a complete rating later. The Photography is great.

Nice quality book with linen cover (my cover showed up a little warped, but probably just a fluke). Great book for someone thinking about fabric design and just getting started. The title "MASTERING the art..." is probably a little over zealous. "BEGINNING" would be more of a correct word. The book does contain a lot of good information though. It covers the basics for designing both digitally and by hand. There are several interviews with successful fabric designers included. It also has lots of good tips, guidelines, and ideas.

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