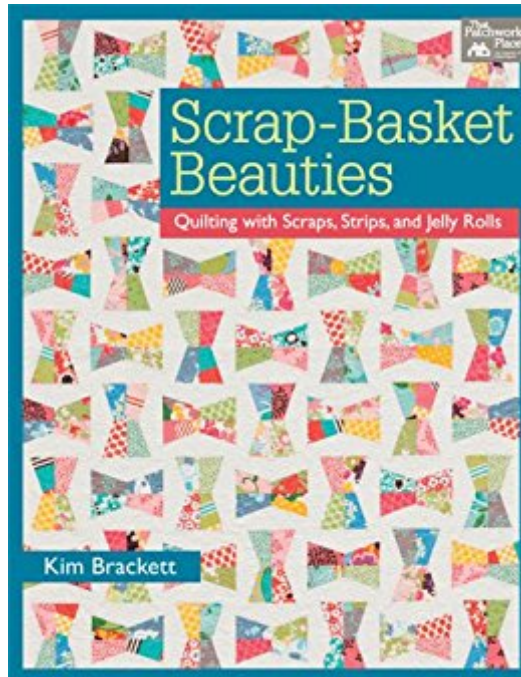


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Scrap-Basket Beauties: Quilting With Scraps, Strips, And Jelly Rolls



Synopsis

Make stunning quilts from simple strips! In this follow-up to her best-selling books *Scrap-Basket Surprises* and *Scrap-Basket Sensations*, Kim Brackett presents 18 striking new quilt patterns for your piecing pleasure. All make beautiful use of 2½" strips. Cut from your stash or use precut strips; quantities are given for both options. Spotlight your favorite fabric for quilting—including batiks, florals, and traditional prints. Enjoy an ample collection of designs ranging from geometrics to pinwheels to flowers.

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Customer Reviews

With her *Scrap-Basket* series of books, Kim Brackett has proven she can maintain a fresh approach to color and construction using pre-cuts. *Scrap-Basket Beauties* was on my Wish List for several months, and I love it. As with the two Brackett books I already own, I can't decide which project to make first. Not only are the quilt tops fun to assemble, but the blocks themselves are clever, straight-forward, and stash-friendly. Beginners will have lots to choose from here. For example, the

first quilt "Sanctuary" is a basic single 4-patch mixed with three 2-stacks in one block. Put the blocks together just so and you've got a nice running chain and LOTS of opportunities for matching seams. Want to move up to triangles? The folded-corner technique can give the illusion of more geometry, and it is used frequently in this book. "Six Degrees South Of The Equator" is a perfect example and no one has to know there is not a single triangle in it. The quilt on the cover is "Hourglass". And I thought it was a "Bow Tie" variation. It's just one more example of how Brackett can make a block look more devious than it really is. Just sew two strips together and use the included cutting guide pattern to skew your cuts. Like stars? Check out "Star Blossoms", with its built-up block borders and soothing aqua background. Love lattice? "Beachside Bungalow" has succulent fabrics set against an unusual background color. Brackett is fearless when it comes to selecting background colors that are anything but muslin and various shades of cream. Some photos show the quilting better than others, and there are no alternate color options. And even though the publishing industry has quite a few books that utilize pre-cuts, Brackett's imagination keeps me coming back to her books. Kim Brackett is 3-for-3 in my, um ... book.

I needed this book for a quilting class I was taking. The instructions are very easy to understand and love that it's in color. I'm making the Star Blossoms quilt and it's coming along very nicely. Looking forward to making the other quilts in this book! FYI: For those that are thinking of purchasing this book. There are two errors on page 24. Go to http://shopmartingale.com/corrections/b1157_corrections.pdf and print out and insert the corrected page in your copy of the book.

This book is one of her best. I just love teaching Kim's books. I have taught every book she has published and this one is one of her best. If you love working with 2 1/2" strips these books are for you! You won't be disappointed.

Liked it so much, I also bought it for a friend.

Love the patterns in this book! Perfect for the 2 1/2 inch jelly rolls or your scrap basket. I've been cutting up my scraps into 2 1/2 inch strips as they accumulate. I got this book to use with my scrap saving system. The patterns are gorgeous. The directions are clear. I find the quilts easy to piece, but look so complicated when they're done. I have Kim's other book. Scrap Basket Sensations. Kim is one of my favorite quilting Guru's. I really enjoy her work.

I have all her books and made one of them for my grandsons wedding. Her instructions are clear and concise and the quilt turned out to be one of my favorites. I used only my brown scraps as that was the color he wanted. It is now one of my favorite quilts. Love all her books and now waiting for her to author one on 5" squares since I have so many, but so far she hasn't done that. I just wish she were my sister !

I love this book! I am a produce farmer and do not have the time to quilt as much as I'd like. This book has made it easy for me to set up my sewing machine and make some pretty complicated quilts with no complications at all! This style is more fun than it is work!

Good patterns. I have tons of scraps and many Jellyrolls. This book will help me make a dent in my stash.

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