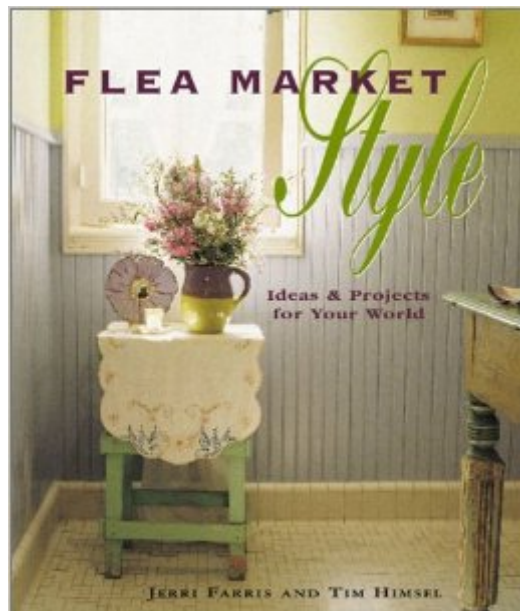


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Synopsis

It's said that beauty is in the eye of the beholder, and these days, homeowners everywhere are seeing beauty in unlikely places: at rummage sales, flea markets, the back rooms of antique shops, garage sales, even trash heaps. The book features hundreds of ideas and dozens of projects for transforming items other folks have cast away into reborn treasure. In some cases, it's simply a matter of finding the right setting for an object with interesting shape, color and texture. In other instances, a few ingenious alterations can give an item new life in an entirely different role-rusted metal doorknobs turn into drapery rod finials, for example. This book series welcomes in the Martha Stewart crowd, but it gives them something Martha simply will never understand-practicality. This is the second entry in an all-new product line that will eventually number a dozen titles or more. The series will focus on ideas and inspiration, but unlike low-end books on home style, this exciting new line of books will feature a more sophisticated look and philosophy to match changing reader demographics. It also includes a large selection of easy-to-accomplish how-to projects. Other books of ideas are big with concepts, but they don't show you how to achieve any of their wonderful ideas. In startling contrast to the norm, the books will not only feature hundreds of great ideas, they will also give readers complete directions for creating dozens of refreshingly easy projects, none requiring more than a few simple steps to accomplish.

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This book has several creative, clever and practical decorating ideas and projects that I have not seen in any other book. For me the decorating ideas have to have a function; it is not enough to just look nice and take up space. I hope the authors write a sequel with even more ideas!

The authors go beyond just dragging home shabby chic pieces from the flea market. They include projects to expand the usefulness of odd pieces. The end results are quite handsome and of course, unique. One project attaches tin ceiling tiles to a plywood frame to make a stunning storage box or plant holder. Another project transforms a mirror frame with fabric and crisscrossed ribbons to create a lovely bulletin board. They show how to line an old painted cupboard or armoire with fabric without permanently altering the interior. The large photos throughout show the pieces fitted into a room and artfully accessorized. Inspiring. Some projects require some sewing or carpentry ability, but others require little skill.

I actually liked this book so much I ordered "Garden Style" by the same authors, only to discover almost the exact same book. I kid you not, I counted at least 12 projects/photos that are EXACTLY THE SAME in both books. Since the books are only 130 pages long to begin with, I felt cheated. When I buy 2 different titles, I expect 2 different books. My advice: buy one or the other, not both.

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