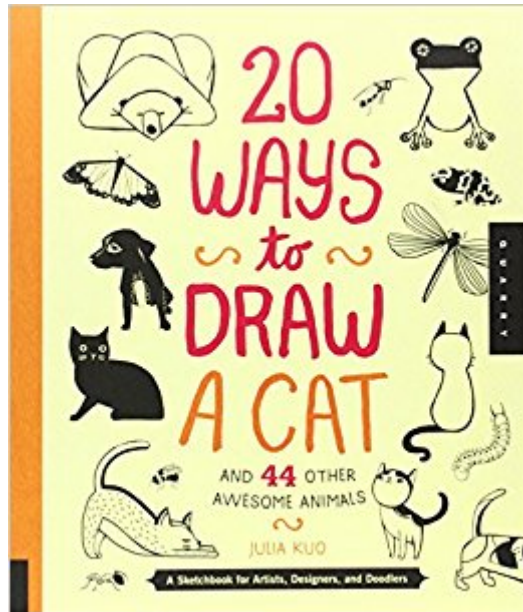


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20 Ways To Draw A Cat And 44 Other Awesome Animals: A Sketchbook For Artists, Designers, And Doodlers



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"This series takes a novel, minimalist approach to art instruction. Each "20 Ways" title provides 45 spreads that are each filled with 20 small drawings on a given theme. Readers will find no step-by-step exercises here; however, each spread offers a variety of styles and techniques. Drawings range from the realistic to the cartoonish to the decorative, with a few rendered in color. The variety of drawing types is intended to inspire readers to experiment on their own. A

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No instructions whatsoever - except "These drawings are all made up of a combination of lines, shapes, and patterns." OK Then, "Look for squares, circles, straight lines, and squiggly lines to help break down the pictures, (...). Draw the big shapes and lines first and then add in the smaller details." and shocking, spoiler alert, "If you have tracing paper, you can trace the drawing directly, (...)." OkSO, DEAR READER you: buy manga stickers (or anything you like) for \$ 1.00 and, follow the instructions above and you will be golden.

this book continuously inspires me. but even though there are blank spaces intended for my own doodles, I cannot bring myself to disgrace the blank pages of this perfect book. I want all of the series. Julia is a fantastic artist.UPDATE: April, 2017I am still using this regularly in my studio as a top reference material and for whimsical inspiration for my animal paintings of all sorts. It also is helping my nearly 9 year old child with his drawing and tracing. As originally stated in my first review, Even though there are blank places for you to draw in this precious parchment, doing so would be to scorch that which has become illuminated scripture in my arsenal of artistic ideas. And that just ain't right.

Really cute book for thinking out of the box with art styles. It's not a how to book, more of an inspiration book. I'm docking a star because the glue on the spine failed and now the book is only attached to the cover at the back page. I've not been rough with it either, so it's kind of disappointing, but I suppose I could glue it back together myself.

For anyone who likes to doodle or think they have no talent for drawing this book will prove them wrong. It has very simple, easy to follow illustrations. The book is light and fun. It is not heavy duty drawing lessons. It's a great book for those of us for are not really artists, but like to "play" with art.

I love to doodle and draw but I often need inspiration. This book provides the perfect assortment of adorable creatures for me to sketch and have fun with.

My grown up daughter, who is a professional artist, loved these books that I gave her for Christmas - giving her ideas on other ways to design and draw things.

Good idea, very simple - exactly what it says it is. It will be helpful for people wanting to expand their ideas of what drawing can be, IF they have the initiative to look, think and practice. For my adolescent psych patients, it has not been as interesting or inspirational as I had hoped - yet. They might need to see someone model ways to use the ideas, which I haven't tried yet.

Very useful to put on the document camera so that students can draw a particular animal for a project. Plenty of variety for each animal and the drawing style is appealing.

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