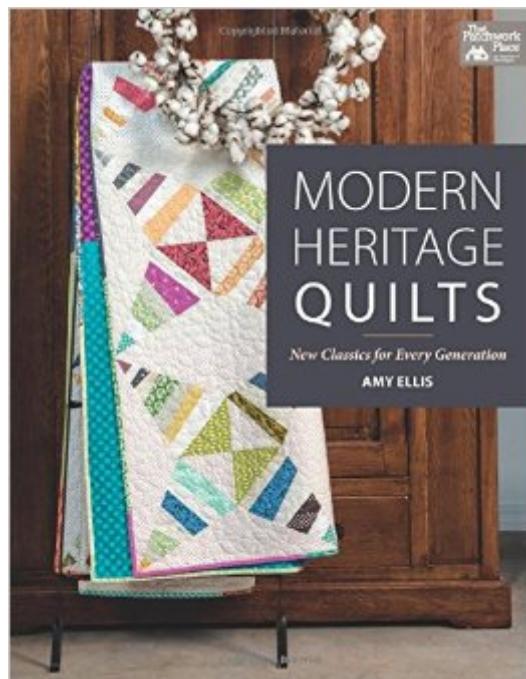


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Modern Heritage Quilts: New Classics For Every Generation



Synopsis

Use traditional piecing skills to create tomorrow's heirloom quilts. You'll discover how to give your favorite blocks a scrappy, modern look with elegant and up-to-date versions of time-tested quilt designs from popular designer Amy Ellis. Learn a bit about the history behind each block as Amy reimagines them as new classics. Build your confidence to "go modern" with Amy's bright and appealing designs that begin with traditional blocks. Tips for using color and negative space ensure a modern look with the fabric from your stash. Get handy hints, from Amy and other top designers, that will help you better understand what makes a scrap quilt successful.

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Customer Reviews

Amy Ellis is truly an inventive quilt designer. Her blocks and layouts are not derivative of other styles. *Modern Heritage Quilts* is the 4th book of hers that I have purchased and it was on my Wishlist since I first learned it was in the making. I wish I could give it 5 stars. But there's just no "wow-I've-got-to-make-this" factor. 4 of the 12 quilts require several templates. Among them is "Serendipity" at 72"x90". It's the quilt featured on the cover. It also requires 2 different paper piecing templates for the triangle extensions. This seems like overkill, since they are essentially just "crazy" units that can be so easily constructed from scraps without any paper. Ms. Ellis even says as much, yet appears to favor the uniformity of using templates. This quilt also uses set-in seams. Bias at the tips of each triangle make this one of the most challenging quilts in the book. Many of the quilts are very minimalist or abstract. Their advantage is the wide open fields of blank canvas to showcase

some of your fanciest quilting lines. "Abloom", at 60.5"x75.5", features curved seams. Ms. Ellis provides several important tips for working with curves, and the circle quilting is just right for this one. The "heritage" behind each quilt can be tough to decipher due to the abstraction. One of the more obvious ones is "Venus", at 82.5"x94.5". Interestingly, Ms. Ellis gives us a history lesson: this quilt screams "Double Wedding Ring", but is actually based on the earlier "Pickle Dish" pattern. It uses paper-piecing, curves, and set-in curved "melons" to fill each ring.

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