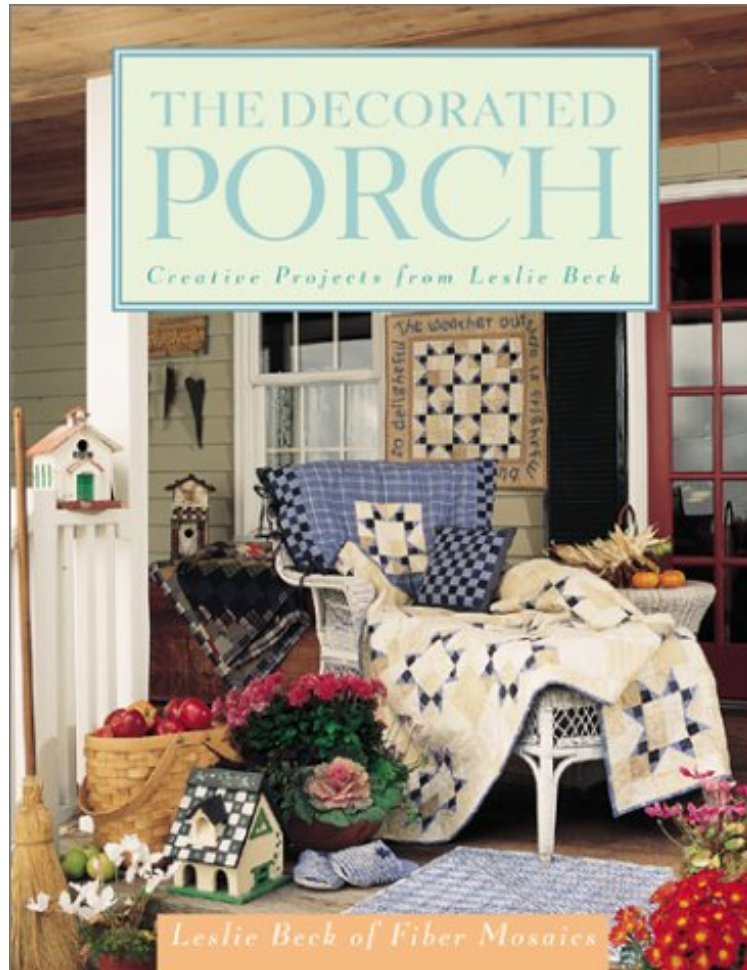


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great BookBy rebeGreat book to get ideas for decorating a new back porch!12 of 12 people found the following review helpful. A bit of a surprise, but beautiful!By A CustomerHaving done tole painting, and having worked in a fabric store for years, I was well acquainted with Leslie Beck's designs. I have always loved them!When I discovered this book, I was thrilled. The patterns and illustrations are gorgeous. Definitely a more contemporized country, which is more my style. The surprise came when I realized there were more craft projects than I had expected.There's some gorgeous patterns for quilted pet pillows, a variety of beautiful pillows and quilts, plus some cute garden accents to paint. Being a crafter, for longer than I can remember, it was abit of a surprise as I was expecting just quilting and sewing. But there are some cute craft ideas in this book, for instance a painted watering can with a flower and bees, a couple planters and a lampshade with leaves and acorns

painted. My favorites are illustrated on the front cover, the 'Weather Outside' wallhanging, coordinating quilt and throw cushion, and even a pet cushion. My next favorite would be the 'summer' lap quilt and pillows, done in red, cream and navy stripes (like a basketweave pattern). If you're looking strictly for patchwork, or more traditional quilting, this book probably would disappoint. If you're more like me and enjoy a more contemporary version of country or americana, you'll truly enjoy the book. Just remember that about a third of the book has painting/crafting projects.

The Decorated Porch Creative Projects from Leslie Beck Add a splash of style to your porch and turn this often-overlooked area of your home into a wonderful retreat! More than 40 charming projects, grouped into four distinct collections, will keep you in tune with nature's changing seasons. With these easy-to-make sewing and decorative-painting projects, you can enjoy the outdoors all through the year. Spruce up your porch from top to bottom with quilts, tablecloths, chair covers, pillows, place mats, napkins, and rugs, plus painted accessories such as planters, chairs, and enamelware Choose from dozens of delightful projects that showcase today's popular, modern country style Sewing and painting basics are explained in a simple, step-by-step format, so even if you're a beginner you can quickly build your skills Give your porch or sunroom a fresh, up-to-date look in a snap with this inspiration-packed book of decorating ideas!

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