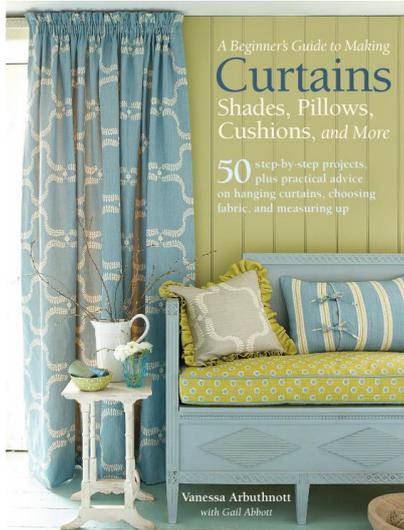


# A Beginner's Guide to Making Curtains, Shades, Pillows, Cushions and More

50 step-by-step projects, plus practical advice on hanging curtains, choosing fabric, and measuring up

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## Description

There's never been a better time to sew for the home, with a huge range of fabrics available in stores and online. And the money you save by making these items yourself can be put towards buying the loveliest fabrics you can afford, making your home more beautiful still. Designer Vanessa Arbuthnott guides you through 50 projects, each made in one of her own beautiful printed fabrics, and all with easy-to-follow illustrated instructions. The projects range from simple cushion covers for the novice sewist, through to lined curtains with an array of different headings, blinds, bed throws, and table linen. There is also a chapter on accessories, such as a cook's apron, and table mats, allowing you to brush up on your skills before tackling a larger project. There is plenty of advice on selecting fabrics, using colour, cutting out, matching pattern repeats, piping, and hand-stitching.

## Key Selling Points

- There is guidance on measuring for curtains and blinds and on ways to hang them
- A techniques section covers the basic sewing skills you will need
- Make your home unique and save money at the same time

## About The Author

Vanessa Arbuthnott started her own fabric design business over ten years ago and was soon featured in Country Living and the Saturday Telegraph. She lives in the Cotswolds. Gail Abbott is a home stylist, author and writer whose work regularly appears in magazines.

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