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Dolls' House Fireplaces & Stoves



Synopsis

Use inexpensive objects and very basic tools to craft realistic-looking, miniature stoves and fireplaces. From garage-sale treasures to recycled grocery packaging, you'll be amazed by the range of supplies that can be used to finish a dolls' house with style and authenticity. Transform several small picture frames into an ornate Victorian fireplace with a mantel. A small plastic bottle forms the perfect basis for a cooking stove, and a lipstick tube can become a portable heater. There are also plenty of suggestions for making accessories such as fire irons, mantel clocks, and pots and pans. Full-color photographs, materials lists, and detailed instructions and diagrams make it easy for any dolls' house enthusiast to get right to work!

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Customer Reviews

As usual, Patricia King offers brilliant alternatives to buying expensive, British imports. Her stoves and fireplaces, made from found objects and very cheap supplies, are masterpieces. This highly creative book is beautifully photographed and a worthy addition to three others written by Ms. King: 1) 'Making Dolls' House Furniture', 2) 'Making Victorian Dolls' House Furniture' and 3) 'Dolls' House Bathrooms-Lots of Little Loos'. She also made a do-it-yourself video, but I haven't seen it yet. Another great book of this type is 'Making Period Dolls' House Accessories' by Andrea Barham. Her beautiful lighting fixtures can be wired for small-scale illumination. Many of the pieces shown are perfect complements to Patricia King's Victorian and Art Nouveau designs. None of the handmade collector items in these books are toys and all are too delicate for children to play with.

Right now I am going to do a search for more books by Ms. King. This is a great resource for the dollhouse maker, miniatureist(?) and even for recyclers. Using ordinary house hold items, such as a salt shaker (or pepper) Ms. King shows the reader how to create a stove for a doll house. There are several stoves, fireplaces, and accessories created using things that might other wise end up in the trash. I can hardly wait to get started. You won't be sorry if you buy this book.

Small book but I love Patricia Kings writing. She is so funny it was a motto read this. Illustrations make it simple to do any of the projects too! Makes me look at everything in a new light as far as packaging and found items go. Not a good bookie you are a real hoarder though. I can see how it would exacerbate it.

This is a great book for creating miniatures using every day items. It makes one look twice before throwing anything away. What a fun way to recycle!

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