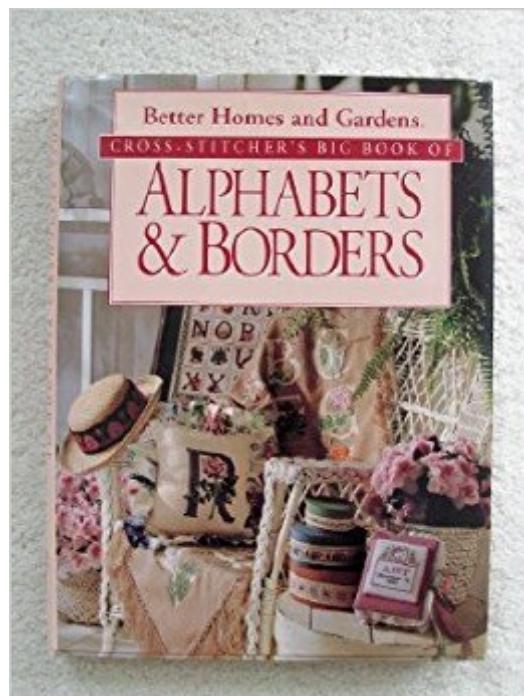


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## Synopsis

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## Customer Reviews

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This book is AMAZING!!! I am in love with it! A lot of the reviews said it was "dated" but an alphabet is an alphabet, it is all about what you are doing with it and this book has every alphabet you could ever need and then some! I was having a lot of trouble finding uppercase and lowercase alphabets to work together with and this has tons of them! It also has lots of varying sizes and styles! Not all of them are pictured in full color completed but there are so many it would never fit in the book, plus many of them really don't need to be pictured to get a good idea of what they will look like. Those that have a lot of detail that would need (want) the imagery are pictured. My only issue now is I need more time and money for the supplies to make the billion projects now floating through my head! They were even kind to this beginner and didn't just assume I would know all the fancy tricks and have a section to help me learn what I am doing with all this new found craftiness! Until now all I could find for alphabets was little craft books that were a few pages with half a dozen alphabets at most. This is HUNDREDS of pages with multiple alphabets on some pages and some larger ones that take a few pages to cover! The borders are cute as are a few little icon style pictures but the real treat of this book is the alphabets!

This definitely is a BIG book of Alphabets and Borders and it also has the quality of BH&G behind it. Published in 1994, You name it, it's in there. Not all motifs are illustrated and photographed. Many are. Just not all. But the charting, in black and white, will get you through. These pieces must have been used at some time because each letter grouping and often the letters themselves come with a specific color coding. There is everything from a perfume bottle alphabet to a lovely chemise with floral border and elegant lettering. Children's themes(for all ages,) are included. There are pictures of specific pieces using the different motifs periodically. Things are organized by theme in the Table of Contents. There is a brief introduction to the designers which is unusual and nice to know. No matter what your taste, this is something I think you'll be glad to have. Some of the alphabets are large, some small, all interesting, particularly for those working pieces with someone specific in mind or wanting a monogram in an unusual lettering for a pillow, sampler, linens or article of clothing. All ages and styles of writing are included. Did you ever know BH&G to leave something out? Didn't think so.

What !! of course this is great - its a Better Homes and Garden book, received in great shape, timely manner - thanks

It's obviously an older book but has lots of patterns you could use or expand on. The downside is there are very few colored pictures of the samples. I was given the dubious task of making a photograph album/guest book for a 50th Wedding Anniversary using hand stitching and cross stitching which I have not done either one in the last 30yrs.

I asked about cross stitch books/transfers at a local crafts store, and the clerk shook her head. Now maybe she was way too young to know. But I turned to and found this **BIG BOOK OF ALPHABETS AND BORDERS**, which is exactly what I was looking for. I am jumping into next year's Christmas crafts early, and the **BIG BOOK** has an assortment of patterns from Victorian fancy to whimsical. No matter what age the recipient of your craft is or gender or purpose of the craft, you will find something unique in this book. I am so glad to have bought it for now and all future cross stitching.

This book has a lot of great alphabets in it. They come in many sizes. I have noticed mistake in some of them though--for example most of the rows of letters will be 13 stitches high but one row will somehow only be 12 stitches high. Hopefully they fixed these issues in later versions of the book. As long as you plan out your pattern before you stitch it's nothing that you can't figure out how

to easily fix the problems.

This book is full of very appealing alphabets in several styles, for many different occasions. There are alphabets in floral, Victorian, antique, country, animal, kids, babies, and holidays. It also contains project ideas. It's a great addition to any cross-stitcher's library.

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