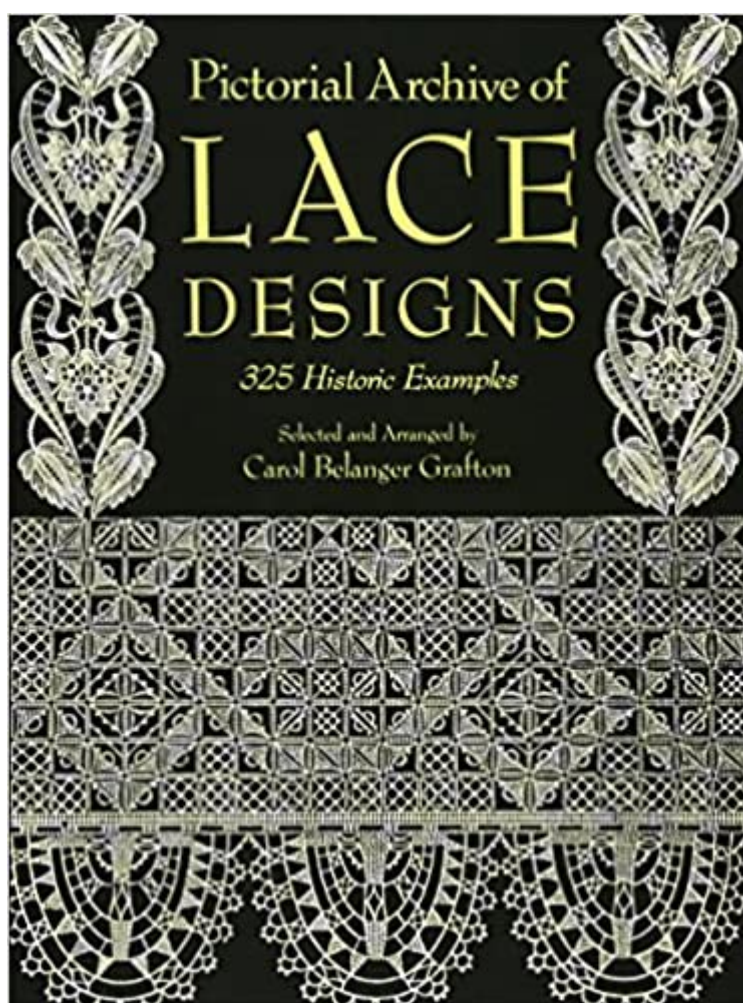


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I ordered this book in the hopes that I would find something I could use for work. I am a graphic designer. From my point of view, this book is perfect. Every page is filled with black and white, (probably bitmapped) images of lace. Some are art deco in style. Some look more like they are from the arts and crafts style. Some are more geometric. All are intricate. There are about 2 pages of publisher's note focusing on the history of lace. There are 2 sets of alphabets and 1 set of numbers. It was an excellent find for me. Hope it will be for you as well.

I know and appreciate very much Ms. Grafton's books. Being a lacemaker, a crocheter and an embroiderer, I really love the variety of laces presented in this book. Antique prints, drawings and photographs bring us many examples of historical laces. Needlelace plus Bruges, Venetian, Milanese, Teneriffe, Battenberg laces and Square-net embroidery are all presented in this book. Although very appealing to the eye, it could disappoint the novice lacemaker, because there are no instructions, prickings or diagrams; only a wealth of exquisitely detailed laces from many ages and countries. Anyway, it's a good source for advanced lacemakers (embroiderers, crocheters...): they can draw inspiration from those patterns to develop their own designs and prickings.

Very poor reproductions

Could not believe that the author would go to the trouble to include photos and illustrations of so many lace samples, with absolutely NO names, countries of origin, etc.! Hugely disappointed.

The images in this book are fantastic and have given me many ideas to incorporate into my own work. It does not bother me but some may find it disturbing that there is absolutely no text with any picture. No details given as to what type of lace or where/when it is from.

Wonderful! I just love this book. Just got it and I'm already full of ideas of ways to use it. I have other books that explain the technical aspects of lacemaking, but sometimes you just want to be inspired by beauty!

These designs are new to me and good for creating new kind of clothing with lace embroidered

designs. This book is for those who understand...

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