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## Mosaic And Tessellated Patterns: How To Create Them, With 32 Plates To Color (Dover Art Instruction)



## Synopsis

As old as ancient Rome, tessellated patterns can be seen in many places today: in Victor Vasarely's black-and-white paintings, in the designs of Ensor Holiday and M. C. Escher, in Spirograph drawings, and even in computer. John Willson, a research chemist, artist, and teacher, has been creating these dazzling "op art" designs for years. Now, he brings his special expertise to this unusual coloring book. Here you'll find complete information on tessellations and their creation, including:â $\notin$ Definition of a tessellationâ $¢$ History of tessellated designs, beginning with their origin in Romeâ ¢ Basic kinds of tessellations and how they are formedâ $¢$ Detailed instructions for creating your own unique designs from common geometrical shapesA full 179 figures illustrate the clearly written text. Also included is a special section of 32 full-page plates of tessellations, ready to be colored any way you wish. This is your best introduction to an unusual and rewarding pastime that will afford you many hours of creative satisfaction.

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The book introduces the basic types of tessellations and presents many examples. Note that the book title say "32 plates _to_ color" and not "32 color plates". The "look inside" feature shows already colored tessellations, but they are not in the book. It's not a problem, but don't expect to get color plates. This book is more geometric in its approach than "Principles of Pattern Design" by Proctor (isbn 0-486-26349-5) and may complement it nicely.

Not being a professional designer, I was interested in this book for ways to create my own designs for quilts. This proved to be an excellent resource, for it had examples of numerous tessalations. The material was ideal for my purposes and provided techniques for my personal use.

Explains the uses of tessellations and manipulations of shapes and perception. The coloring pages are also very cool. They start off easier and progress to quite elaborate. Great for colorists of geometric shapes/patterns and you can learn to draw some as well. 30 text pages, 32 coloring pages - all double sided
geometric patterns galore! these are all very interesting, and I haven't seen anything like this before, so l'm psyched to start using them in art quilts!

Kids love this. Great as a center in the classroom! Varied levels of difficulty!

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