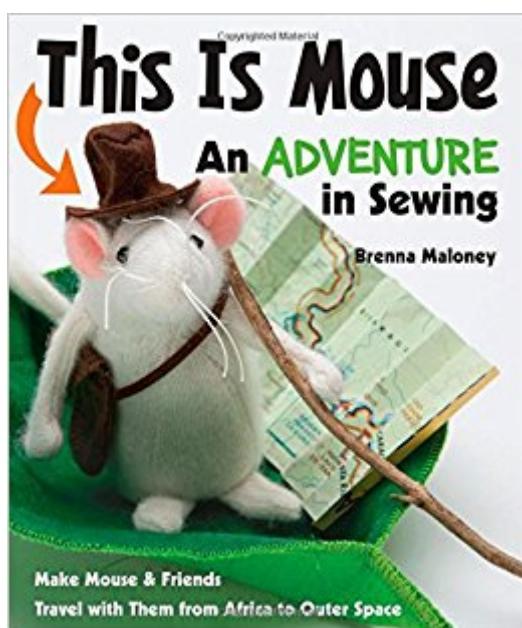


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# This Is Mouse - An Adventure In Sewing: Make Mouse & Friends Travel With Them From Africa To Outer Space



## Synopsis

Did you ever wish that your story-time friends would come to life? With this book, they can! Mouse visits a lot of places in this story. He gets to know elephants and snakes in Africa. Bunnies pull his sled in the South Pole. He even soars up to outer space in a spaceship! Easy instructions will show you how to make Mouse, his clothes, and all his friends. Play along with the story, starring your new fuzzy pals!

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Age Range: 7 - 10 years

Grade Level: 2 - 5

## Customer Reviews

Easy instructions help young sewers make Mouse, his clothes, and all his friends. But that's just the start of the adventure. This book has a story too! Mouse becomes a world traveler, meeting elephants and snakes in Africa, find bunnies to pull his sled in the South Pole. He even soars up to outer space in a spaceship. Step-by-step instructions guide kids in creating not only Mouse, but all the crazy characters, accessories, and vehicles he encounters. (American Sewing Guild Notions Magazine, February 2015) A look back at 2014 best crafts books - For playful adults and children adept with a sewing machine, there's also This Is Mouse: An Adventure in Sewing (C&T Publishing), by Brenna Maloney, which includes amusing instructions for making the character Mouse and others (Elephant, Whale, Robot), along with accoutrements Mouse may need to go on safari, to the South Pole and into outer space. This is Maloney's fourth book

aimed at the sewing-kid crowd. (Jennifer Forker Associated Press, December 2014)With two previous sewing books (Socks Appeal and Sock it to Me!) under her belt, Maloney is well positioned to create a worthwhile book on sewing for kids. Her effort is as charming as can be, combining clear instructions and adorable patterns with a series of stories about the titular protagonist. The book begins with a winning and short overview of sewing skills: "My editors tell me that it's very important that I teach you the proper words for things," she writes. Then readers will learn how to make Mouse as well as a cast of other characters (snakes, penguins, aliens) who appear in a jungle, at the North Pole, and in space. While the instructions are shown in step-by-step photos, the projects still might require an adult's help. Maloney has cleverly designed projects that can be hand or machine-sewn, and that appear to be accessible to beginners. She notes at the beginning that the editors have allowed her to "write the books I always wanted to read." She's not alone; many other young sewists will want to read this one, too. Photographs, pattern pullouts. (Publishers Weekly, 11/17/14)

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(note: my daughter wrote this review since it's her book)My Grandma and Papa gave me this book for Christmas. It teaches you how to sew a mouse, and gear for it (the gear is:a hat, a satchel, and jungle animals for the jungle; A scarf, earmuffs, bunnies, arctic animals, and a igloo for the south pole; And space gear, a rocket, aliens and their house! It is cool.)The book has easy to follow step-by-step instructions, and funny wording, I especially liked that the author didn't say that you had to ask a grown up to help with the hot glue gun because I know how to use it, (she did say that you should be careful). I made the mouse and it was soooooo fun. The finished product is cute.

Better than expected great service.

Whenever anyone gives this book anything less than a 5 star review it is voted "unhelpful". The 5 star reviews made me think that my daughters and I could make this mouse and have great adventures with him. I am on my third time trying to make the mouse. The chest doesn't line up right with the body/head piece and the ears are a little too large and bulky and make it difficult to sew the head right. All three of my mice are not up to my standards. I sew regularly. I am not unfamiliar with

sewing terms and patterns. The basic idea of the book is so fun. We were all so excited about it. My kids are begging for me to keep trying or to find someone who I could pay to make this mouse for us. Before attempting to make the mouse I was planning to buy this book as a gift for friends with kids who are excited to sew. Until I am able to make a mouse though I won't be spreading frustration.

I love this book. I got it to teach adventure play with my granddaughter. The instructions are easy to follow and I love the author's sense of humor. I have never seen a book written quite like this. I am so happy I found it.

If you want to encourage an interest in sewing for a youngster, this is perfect.

Outstanding fun how to book for Grandma to share sewing with Granddaughter, and later, grandson wanted to sew one too.

Many adorable patterns!

I was hoping this book would contain a few fun "I can sew" projects for my granddaughter and me. Unfortunately, unless I greatly increase the pattern sizes and make a few other adjustments, Mouse is still a little too complicated for an 8 year old.

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