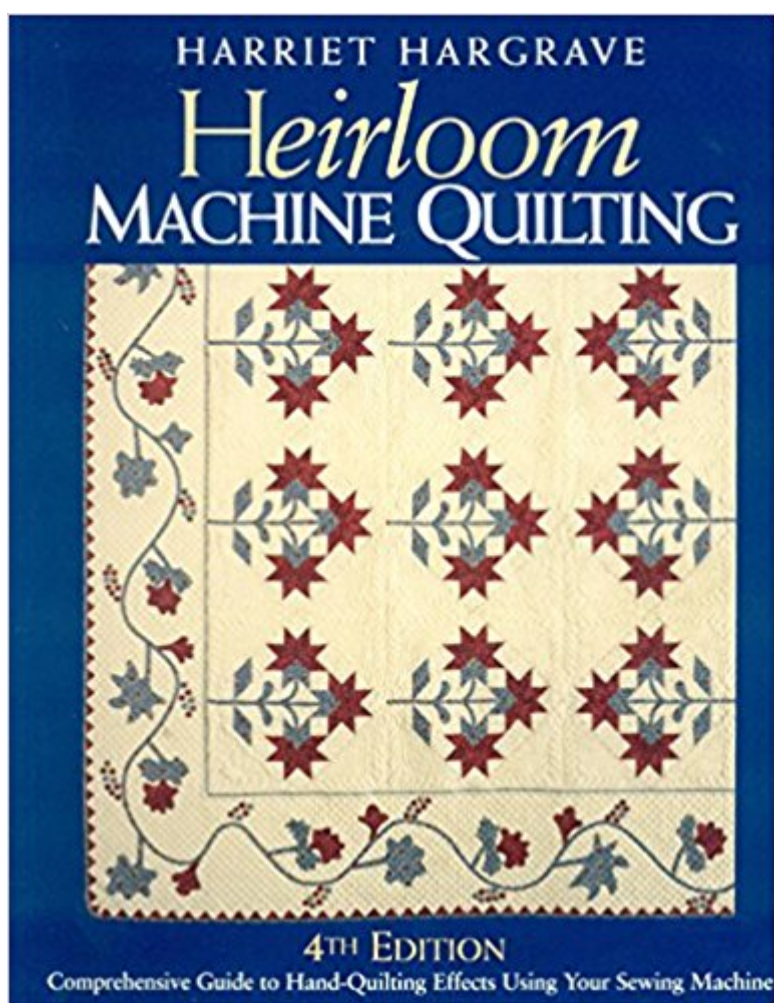


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# Heirloom Machine Quilting: A Comprehensive Guide To Hand-Quilting Effects Using Your Sewing Machine



## Synopsis

A brand-new edition of the machine quilting classic! Includes everything you need to know about machine quilting.

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## Customer Reviews

I have been using Harriet Hargrave's books to learn quilting. Her books are fabulous. I just love the clear instructions.. This book is no exception, can't wait till I graduate. I would recommend her books to everyone. love them. My two project that I did out of the previous books are great. The accuracy was difficult but worth everything.

The 4th Ed. is laid out better! I think they moved this book more towards the direction of their latest Quilter's Academy books. Although this Ed. is not in lesson format, it is more sequential, and more in depth for process and newer items used today in quilting. Love the quantity of colored pictures and lots of diagrams, tips, and how to's. I am however very disappointed that it is a PAPERBACK book. The 3rd ed. was a spiral bound, and the item pictures for this edition are also shown as a SPIRAL bound book. Do not be fooled. This is a typical paperback book and does not stay open to a page like the spiral bound books. A severe set back, in my opinion, and a disappointment. This would have been a great improvement had they kept the binding. And, just to top it off, the quilt store sells this edition in the spiral bound version! Just went and checked it out. has a special paperback version. You are not buying the one you see in the pictures or at the quilt store. Very disappointing.

Harriet Hargrave is a pioneer in the techniques of machine quilting. This 4th Edition of her original book is most instructive and the illustrations and worksheets are excellent. As the author says, it does pay to read the first few chapters before going to the "meaty" bits of the technique pages. They set the background in great detail and even for an experienced quilter, there are still lots of pointers for improvements. For the traditional hand quilter it could be said that to try to emulate the traditional look with the use of the machine is a contradiction. Harriet Hargrave says that she is a hand quilter with a machine! It can also be said that nothing beats the joy and relaxation of the hand quilter sitting in a comfortable chair with his/her needle and frame. Harriet Hargrave maintains that the same satisfaction can be derived from sitting at the machine and the end result is just as praiseworthy. Whatever your preference, this book is a good read and I recommend it wholeheartedly.

This is a wonderful resource for beginning or experienced quilters. Although I've been making quilt tops for 15 years, I hadn't done much quilting until I bought this book. Explains things well. It's very thorough and even includes simple techniques like Stitch in the Ditch in addition to more complicated techniques. Definitely my "go to" quilting book.

I am a newby at quilting. I am starting a quilt, my first. I got this book in hopes of some basic information. I looked at books in fabric stores, never saw this one, the selection was pathetic as far as real useful beginners advise, (the nuts and bolts of the craft, not just cute "simple little patterns") This book fills the need. It has important information, such as what needles to use and what to use them for, what thread to use and what the uses of various threads are. It covers sewing attachments needed such as a walking foot, something I hadn't even known about until now. But as a result of having this book, I am now equipped to get started with the actual quilting process. It does not cover piecing or the tricks of that part, unfortunately, but as for the layering of the batting, top, and backing, it gives complete instructions on how, and what you will need for a successful outcome. So all in all, a book worth having. Contains many pictures of quilts that the author has made. She is a very traditional quilter, doing many of the heirloom patterns.

Oh my, I hope to someday be able to do this well. As I learn, this will be the book that will be my guide and teacher. I truly love it.

Whether you are a beginner or intermediate, this guide is phenomenal! I have been quilting for around five years and have basically learned most of what I know from books, videos, and talking with fellow quilters. My grandmother instructed me in paper-piecing and hand quilting methods, but modern applications have come to me slowly and in pieces. This book spells out much of the information many authors take for granted that you already know and to wonderful detail. Proper use and buying guides for various threads, needles, work spaces (including work benches, chairs, sewing tables, etc.), and sewing machines are provided and I found myself constantly commenting "why didn't I think of that"? Due to the fact that machine quilting involves hundreds of hours of labor, effort has been taken to provide the reader with tips on keeping your back, shoulders, and eyes strain-free regardless of your age. Even though I am 31, I am sure my body will thank me for this knowledge when I'm still quilting at 61. This book will take you from beginning quilter to inspiration for the most intricate quilting designs on the market with a relatively seamless flow. Be ready to challenge yourself and find your inner quilter.

This book has so much information in it. I've learned a lot. I have a couple of other machine quilting books but this one is my favorite. Excellent reference.

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