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12 of 12 people found the following review helpful. This one is a MUST-own! By Aisling D. Most books that I rave about, I expect people to request at the public library. And, in most cases, that's fine. However, now then someone puts together a book that I refer to often for inspiration, affirmation, and the pure artistic energy it provides; "Making Journals by Hand" is one of the latter. (Other books on that short list including SARK's earliest books, and Natalie Goldberg's "Living Color".) "Making Journals by Hand" has superb, simple, and detailed directions for even the most complex and professional journals. However, what charms me are the ideas that involve simple techniques and found materials... the kinds of things that are kicking around my house anyway. (You know, that box of stuff in the closet

that's being saved because, "someday this might be useful,"? *LOL*)Sure, make certain your public library owns this book. But then, get your own copy. You'll want it on your bookshelf, and--more often--open, at your elbow, while you work on the many glorious and original projects in the book!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful.
Wonderful Ideas
By M. Lane
I found this book to be extremely useful. The techniques were all new to me. The one that I am going to try first is the wax resist. I am a little worried about the other techniques that use solvents - I don't know where to buy them, and I don't want anything unnatural that is going to hurt my body. Overall, this is a lovely book. One department that does need a little bit of expansion is making the journal itself. However, I already have a blank journal that I bought from a bookstore beginning with Bor (they offer great blank journals CHEAP) and I am just going to use the techniques. Cheers!!

18 of 18 people found the following review helpful. inspiring and informative
By Lori K. Ludwig
Making Journals By Hand has a slightly deceptive title; the book really inspires you to become more involved in your journals by incorporating visual elements or trying new techniques. The examples are gorgeous. I love being able to look at (or is it into?) other people's journals, and this book allows me to do just that. There are travel journals and pregnancy journals and nature journals- but these aren't merely text entries- they are journals with lavish layers of collage illustration. The projects are interesting and really make you want to get up out of your chair and into your work space to try out these techniques. I think beginners will come away with a sense of what is possible and more advanced visual journalers will come away with inspiration maybe a little jumpstart!

Is your journal collecting dust instead of keeping your thoughts? Have you gotten out of the habit of writing on a daily basis? Making Journals By Hand will get you excited about keeping a journal again, with fresh ideas on how to make and keep your own daily journal, travel journal, garden journal, art journal, recipe journal, and more. Use art studio techniques such as rubber stamping, wax resist, leaf transfer, paper cutting, and plaster paper, to enhance and really personalize the pages of your journal. --Know How: More than 20 journal projects, with lots of variations. --Writing Tips to keep you writing every day. --Creative Sparks: Practical advice on changing points of view, with prompts to get the creative juices flowing. --Inspiration and Ideas: Ideas for themed journals to record travel adventures, gardens, dreams, baby events, weddings, and family events.

About the Author
Jason Thompson is the founder and president of Rag Bone Bindery, and author of Making Journals By Hand (Rockport Publishing 2001) and Playing with Books (Quarry 2009). He is highly regarded as a book designer with integrity who creates unique handbound books and other fine bindings, as well as a popular blogger who writes about bookbinding, book arts, artist books, and paper craft.