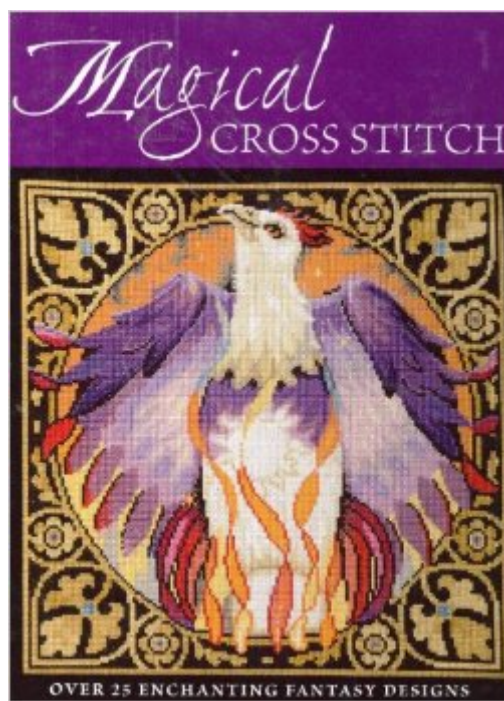


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# Magical Cross Stitch



## Synopsis

Contains 10 magical chapters featuring a range of designs including the Celtic fairy queen, Chinese dragons, beautiful mermaids and a majestic unicorn. Glittering metallic threads and gleaming beads are incorporated into many of the designs for a truly magical finish. The projects range from full-sized pictures to cushions, greetings cards, sachets and bags, and quick-to-stitch gifts and accessories. It also features easy-to-follow colour charts and complete step-by-step project making-up instructions.

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## Customer Reviews

As a 30 year old gaming dork that recently took up cross stitch I was thrilled to find this book of patterns that do not involve woodland creatures, bunnies and/or duckies, precious moments(tm), or prayers. \*smile\*I love this thing! I got this book for it's super-slick chinese dragon patterns. It has 3 intricate (but not difficult) patterns for mountain, sea and cloud dragons as well as full craft directions for a pillow, framed piece and wall hanging. The finished pieces are about 5x7... not too big either. There are also wonderful patterns for a set of 3 women (earth goddess, faerie queen, dark sorceress) that, like the dragons, are all the same finished size. Add in pegasus, sleeping beauty, flower fairies, the phoenix on the cover, an okay mermaid, some wizardly accessories, and the fact that most of the big pieces have 2-4 additional patterns (or suggestions of how to break out an existing part of a full pattern) and you get a lot of really nice patterns all in one place.

Several years ago I was injured and became unable to work. I filled my days with cross-stitch and as my habit went from starting something, I surrounded myself with books and magazines on the subject,

both from the bookstore and the library. Among those books was "Magical Cross Stitch"; a David and Charles publication of great beauty both as a book as well as contents. The patterns range from a magnificent Sleeping Beauty to Chinese Dragons to a Rising Phoenix to a still life that could have come from the office of Dumbledore. Fairies, Mermaids, Sorceresses, Goddesses, and a Rainbow Pegasus fill the pages. I hope to stitch them all. Happy stitching to all and to all a good night.

Actually, I must confess that I borrowed a copy of this book from a friend to look it over in more detail. After some time with it, I decided that I must have a copy of my own! The designs are colorful and well put together -- quite unlike some magical patterns that I've used or seen that seem very amateur-ish. The patterns are not as complex or difficult (like Teresa Wentzler's -- love them, but they take forever!) as some, but I am looking forward to doing several projects from this book. Another thing that I like is that the book shows how the patterns can be used for smaller projects, using a sub-set of the pattern. They also show suggestions on interchanging parts of the pattern to get different effects. My only complaint about the book is that the patterns are in color, which makes some of the icons difficult to read. I would recommend this book to anyone who loves magical themes and has a medium knowledge of cross-stitch. It would also be easy enough for beginning cross-stitchers who want to stretch their skills.

I have almost finished the cover picture of the Phoenix and the colors are radiant- it seems to have a light of its own with the wonderful color choices and shading. The sleeping beauty is also a stunner and the earth goddess, dark sorceress and fairy queen are very beautiful and detailed. The charts are big and easy to use and there are many small designs as well as many ideas on how to use them. I own many cross-stitch books and this is one of my favorites. I want to do the rainbow pegasus next, the colors in it are wonderful!!

Just recently got back into cross stitch...I always buy the larger pattern books with lots to choose from. Quality! This collection is awesome :) I'm currently working on the Wizard Magic pattern and it looks great! Can't wait to try the rest! Lots of designs are represented and patterns can of course be broken down and only small parts used for specific projects. Shipped fast and good shape!

Gorgeous designs, there are so many inspiring designs in this book that I don't even know where to start (except for the cover, my mom rightly says it looks like a turkey on fire)

I really love sci-fy and fantasy so when I saw this cross stitch book of patterns that were sci-fy inspired, I had to have it. It is excellent designs for a decent price. Great Buy, no issues, I would definitely suggest.

Great book for the fantasy-loving cross stitcher. I personally fell for the phoenix on the front cover. Nice , clear charts and colorful pics give you the best possible idea of how your projects will turn out. Good buy!

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