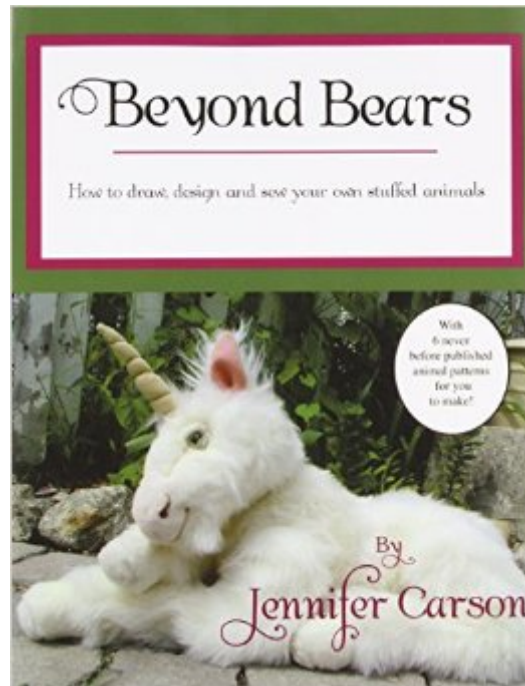


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# Beyond Bears: How To Draw, Design, And Sew Your Own Stuffed Animals



## Synopsis

Creature artist, Jennifer Carson, shows you how to design, draw and sew your own jointed, soft animal sewing patterns. Included with the book are patterns for 6 new creatures, including an elephant, pig, gryphon, tiger, dragon and a bonus pattern for a prehistoric mammal called a chriacus. All patterns are full size and require no enlargement.

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## Customer Reviews

I love collecting books with patterns in them, but a book that shows you how to design patterns is even better, which is why I Preordered this book from the author. The 6 patterns included are actually on a CD so you need a computer to print them off, but you don't need to be harsh on your book to photo copy the patterns out of it! The CD contains 1 PDF with all the patterns in it. Which makes printing off all the patterns at one time nice and easy, but if you only want to print off one pattern, you will have to scroll through the document to find which pages you need, then print only those pages. Almost half way through the book, Jennifer covers the basics of pattern creation using a rather standard Teddy Bear pattern as the base. She shows how to alter it to create different looks. I have seen this type of information presented in other places, and it IS good information, particularly if you are designing bears and want to make a bear look a certain way. Jennifer covers how to create different arms, legs, tails, wings and ears, but she doesn't show a head shape that ISN'T a bear head in this section. I think including other animal head and body shapes in this section would have benefited the book greatly, especially when it is titled BEYOND Bears. This book is not

for the beginner in that it doesn't walk you step by step on making the patterns in the book, in fact some of the patterns written instructions are only a couple of sentences long. You must reference the other portions of the book if you have no knowledge of the craft. I LOVED the section on Finding Inspiration and copyright, I think that needs to be said more. Another issue I have with this book is the photos.

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