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# Concrete Crafts: Simple Projects From Jewelry To Place Settings, Birdbaths To Umbrella Stands



## Synopsis

Pouring concrete doesn't have to be left to the professionals; decorate your home with concrete poured, mixed, and molded by your own two hands! Versatile, inexpensive, and easily casted, concrete is the perfect medium for crafters, tinkerers, and home improvers. Now, lifelong crafters and interior designers Susanna Zacke and Sania Hedengren reveal more than thirty of their favorite, no-fuss casting projects. Decorate your kitchen table or outdoor patio with: Rhubarb leaf fruit bowls; Clustered candleholders; Birdbaths; Patterned pots; Flower vases; Angel figurines; And much more! Once you get started, you won't want to stop making trinkets and ornate arrangements for friends, family, and each room in your house. Plus, crafting with concrete is a great way to get outside and enjoy a beautiful, sunny day. Featuring step-by-step photos, easy-to-follow directions, and Susanna and Sania's expert tips, *Concrete, the Perfect Hobby* is the ultimate new guide to outdoor crafting. Pour out your creativity and discover the beautiful, practical items you can cast!

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## Customer Reviews

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I would never have guessed that concrete is such a versatile and approachable medium before I picked up this book! The authors include a number of impressive techniques and imaginative projects that are accompanied by easy-to-follow instructions. The interior is full of photos, both

instructional and decorative. Because the visual aspect of this book is fairly important, I have added a video to my review in which you can see the interior for yourself. This book has much to offer beginners and more advanced concrete crafters alike. Highly recommended!

I have this book and this one

[http://www..com/Concrete-Garden-Projects-Inexpensive-Containers/dp/1604692820/ref=tmm\\_pap\\_title\\_0](http://www..com/Concrete-Garden-Projects-Inexpensive-Containers/dp/1604692820/ref=tmm_pap_title_0). Both are full of cute ideas, but I personally liked this one better due to the small project ideas.

I wanted a book which gave directions for small concrete projects for the garden. I can't wait to try the concrete topped potters bench. Will update when I try the recipe (when the punishing weather ends in the NE region).

What fun and amazingly easy to do garden projects. Beautiful pictures, easy to follow instructions throughout the book. Great details to show you tips and tricks. Very happy and excited to have this book.

As an artist I have been looking into working with concrete and incorporating it into my jewelry designs. I have also been interested in working with it around my home and yard. When I was approached for a review of this title, I was quite excited and looking forward to learning more about this medium. Before I came across other jewelry artists using concrete in their designs, I would have never used the word concrete and jewelry making in the same sentence. To me concrete consisted of a medium used for outside construction, for buildings and patios. It turns out I was partially correct, since all the mixing should be done outdoors. Otherwise, I was pleasantly surprised by how versatile and easy to use concrete is. I was totally surprised by the techniques used in this book. I like this book for its simplicity and easy to read style. I feel Concrete Crafts Simple is just as the title describes it. It gives you some great starter projects that give any novice confidence in working with concrete. This book also includes some more advanced projects which include Casting Concrete Steps and even a Barbecue Station. At the start you are taught the basics, like mixing, reinforcing, molding, decorating and treating the concrete. Once you learn the basics, you can hop through the book and apply those instructions to any project in the book. Each project is laid out in an easy to read style, with simple instructions that anyone can follow. At the end of the book, you learn about textures and appearances with various techniques, some of which include varnish, soap, wax and paint. I recommend this simple easy to read book to anyone interested in wanting to

learn and apply this craft. I was provided with a copy of this title. All honest opinions expressed above are my own.

the book although pretty was basic, the projects not very creative - disappointing purchase

I haven't made anything out of this book yet, but love making other concrete items. Great ideas in book. Can't wait to get started this spring.

Wonderful ideas

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