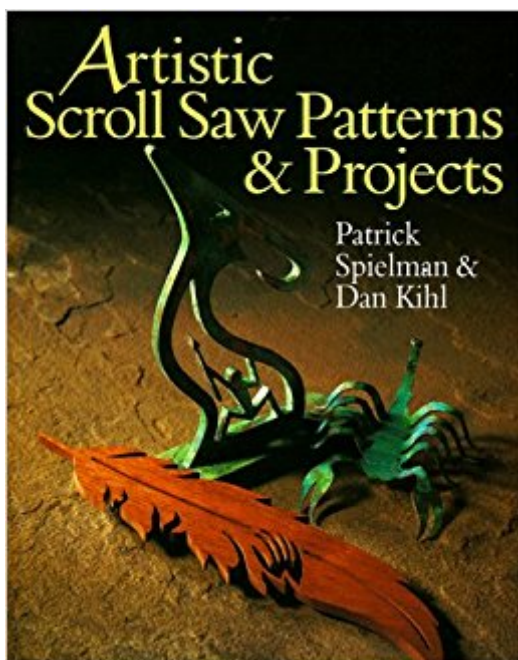




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# Artistic Scroll Saw Patterns & Projects



## Synopsis

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## Customer Reviews

This book is not for the novice. The patterns have a very modern flair/artistic look. I have completed several of the patterns to date and will do many more in the future. This book is not intended to be a how-to-do-it book. That is the major reason people have not given it better reviews.

Older book; simple patterns. Not very different from what you can find for free. Having said that, there are some nice projects in here, so worth the money, if you can get a deal.

This was one book that I wouldn't have bought if I had "browsed" thru it in a book store. We are new to scrollsawing and therefore were buying various pattern books for ideas and such. The word "artistic" in this book's title should have tipped me off; the majority of the patterns are quite "artsy" by which I mean they are a little too odd for me; pretty modern stuff. I seem to favor patterns like those of Judy Gale Roberts.

This book is extremely over priced and has very little value to the hobbyist scroll saw worker. The book offers almost no usable help or information. Save your money and buy a child's coloring book and you'll get the same patterns for a lot less money. I have two scroll saw books by this author and I wish I had saved my money and not purchased either book. This book is nothing but silhouetted sophomoric drawings and has very little substance.

This book included some interesting patterns with a modern flare that really caught my eye. I was very excited about using my scroll saw with metal, but my enthusiasm has been squelched by the lack of instruction! Patrick Spielman and Dan Kihl failed to include sufficient information for attempting the projects. They failed to indicate what thickness of metal should be used for the various projects as well as any detail regarding preparation for the patina finishes. I would give this book 3 stars for being the only book I found with a modern patterns, but unfortunately the patterns are of no use to me without sufficient instruction. I am glad that I now know that I can use my scroll saw for metal projects, but again I am disappointed that I will now need to buy another book to complete the metal projects from this book!

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The patterns are definitely different & there are several that I want to tackle. Unfortunately, there are almost no instructions. Some of the color photos give a little info, such as wood type used & thickness. The items that I am most interested in, however, don't give me nearly enough to get started. There is a great-looking dragon table, but no construction info. The metal pieces say they are cut from copper, but not what thickness. It does say at the beginning of the book that woodworking instructions are covered in previous books , and at the end there is a very good 6

page review of other books by the author. I'm sure once I know what I'm doing, I will enjoy using this book.

Again Patrick Spielman makes it almost impossible to chose which scroll saw project to make. His patterns have always made my work easey for me, they are clear and well drawn and I have never been let down by any of the Spielman books. In this book he brought me a project that I love. It was an elephants tusk with several elephants cut out inside. I cut it out of 3/4" maple and it looks like ivory. I hope you will enjoy these patterns as much as I do.

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