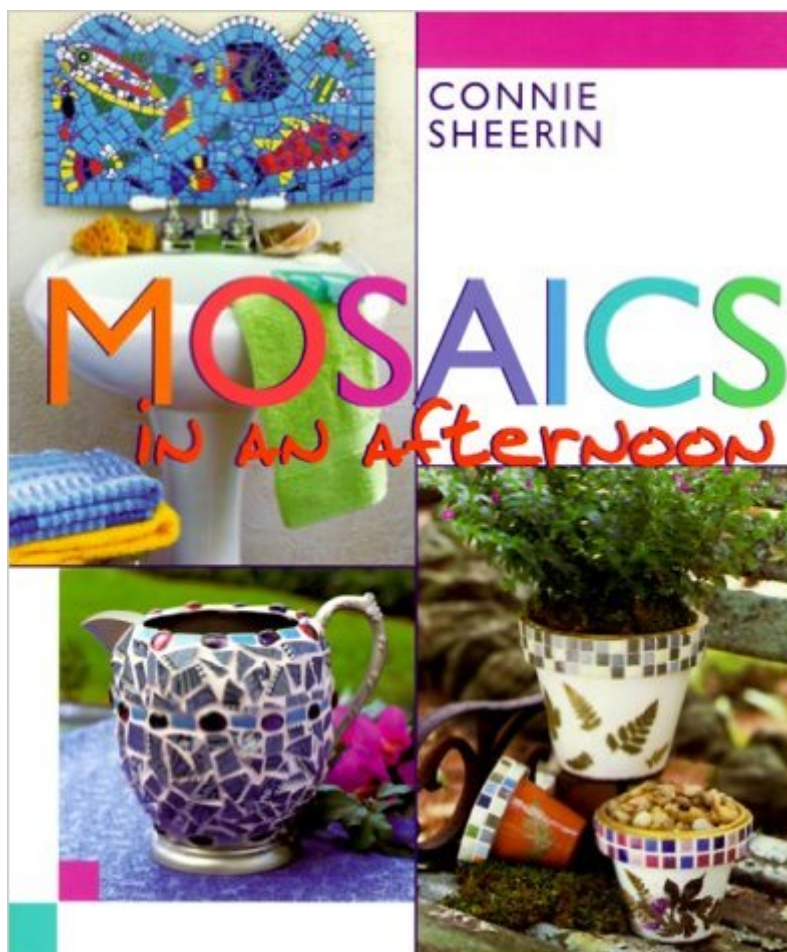


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# Mosaics In An Afternoon®



## Synopsis

In one single afternoon, turn broken china, colored glass, and mosaic tiles into works of art for your home! These quick and easy mixed-media ideas get great results, incorporating everything from smashed pots to glass beads to seashells. Everything you need to know about materials, supplies, and techniques is explained so simply and thoroughly that even beginners can get a professional look. Then start on one of the 30 incredible projects, all shown in glorious color photographs: \* A "Beach Mirror" or one made from "Mother's China." \* An art deco table and chair with a classic, graceful look. \* A "Hearts and Tiles" frame for your treasured pictures. \* Decorate home and garden with sink backsplashes, stepping-stones, shelves, flowerpots, and pretty bottles. Plus 27 more eye-catching and practical articles to make your home a showcase! 112 pages (all in color), 8 1/2 x 10. NEW IN PAPERBACK

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## Customer Reviews

When we lived in Miami in the '70's, I decided to take up stained glass as a hobby. The community college offered wonderful courses taught by professionals at rock bottom prices. I'd draw my patterns and cut my glass pieces and come to class. My instructors would look at my designs and proceed to tell me how I would have to cut this or that piece into sections. "Why," I would ask? "Because you'll never be able to cut a long curving piece of glass in one piece," they'd say. "I did," I'd say. I would then show them several pieces of long curved pieces I had cut. After several weeks of repeated encounters of this nature, I stopped going to class. I'm not a know it all. I am a why person. Connie Sheerin clearly explains why. She assumes you know nothing about the terms

needed to purchase mosaic supplies. She carefully explains what everything is in a brief matter of fact manner. She provides pictures of everything she's explaining in case you're a "picture is worth a thousand words" person. She doesn't talk to you like the village is missing its idiot. She just starts at the beginning so that she can build on this firm foundation.1. You learn how to estimate supplies needed when working with one media or mixed media.2. You learn how to attach mosaic to different types of surfaces whether they are porous or nonporous.3. The different adhesives to use if your work will be indoors/outdoors, vertical/horizontal/flat/curved, and grouted or non-grouted. After you've read this book and practiced on some pretty inexpensive craft projects, the only limit will be your imagination and your pocket book. The only glaring fault of this book for a beginner is that I believe she doesn't spend enough time teaching you how to cut the tile or glass. I have some knowledge and I had questions on designs I'd seen at the fair. So many of her designs were simply not to my taste; however, I believe that's purely subjective.

I loved this book because it made the projects seem very possible to do for someone like me who has just started learning to make things with mosaic tiles. The book is fun to read and the pictures give the reader lots of ideas for other projects. Ms. Sheerin has done a wonderful job of making mosaics appealing and not daunting.

I read "Mosaics in an Afternoon" from cover to cover and was delighted! The writing is engaging and the directions for the projects clear. I loved Connie's description of her first mosaic project in macaroni! The true test of course, is using the book. Using the instructions on page 24 for the "direct method", I completed a mosaic picture frame and found it easy for me, a relative beginner. Now I'm anxious to get to garage sales & estate sales to find old dishes to smash and 'ugly' items to embellish!

Connie Sheerin's book provides us with clear, concise instructions to create imaginative projects! Her bathroom backsplashes are really so special and she has a wonderful sense of color and pattern. For anyone interested in the art of mosaic, this book is the one to buy.

I never thought that making such little works of art was so easy to accomplish, but it is. My friend bought this book and was kind enough to lend it to me, let's just say that was a month ago, I haven't let it out of my sight since. The projects are easy and the outcome is always rewarding. There are some real cute ideas for kids as well. The step by step instructions are very easy and the items used

are things laying around the house anyways. I transformed all my flower pots to little individual master pieces. It is also something fun for my 3 yr. old to do. If you have bored kids and plain flower pots, this book will help!

The instructions in this book are excellent. I wanted to try various types of mosaics and purchased several books. This book gave me the confidence to complete my first projects. Now I have some wonderful homemade gifts to give at Christmas.

Just received this book & have already started on my first project. Great book for the beginner like myself as it provided me with a detailed list of supplies to have on hand before I started on a project. Easy to follow instructions & pictures.

I just received this wonderful book today, and after looking through it, I cannot wait to begin this hobby I have always wanted to try. Everything about this book tells me that I will be having a lot of fun with mosaics. The instructions are well-written and non-intimidating; the colorful photos of various completed projects are gorgeous; and the design patterns included, along with a completely thorough list of what supplies are needed for each project, will be a huge help in taking my first steps. I'll be getting my supplies first thing tomorrow. Can't wait!!

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