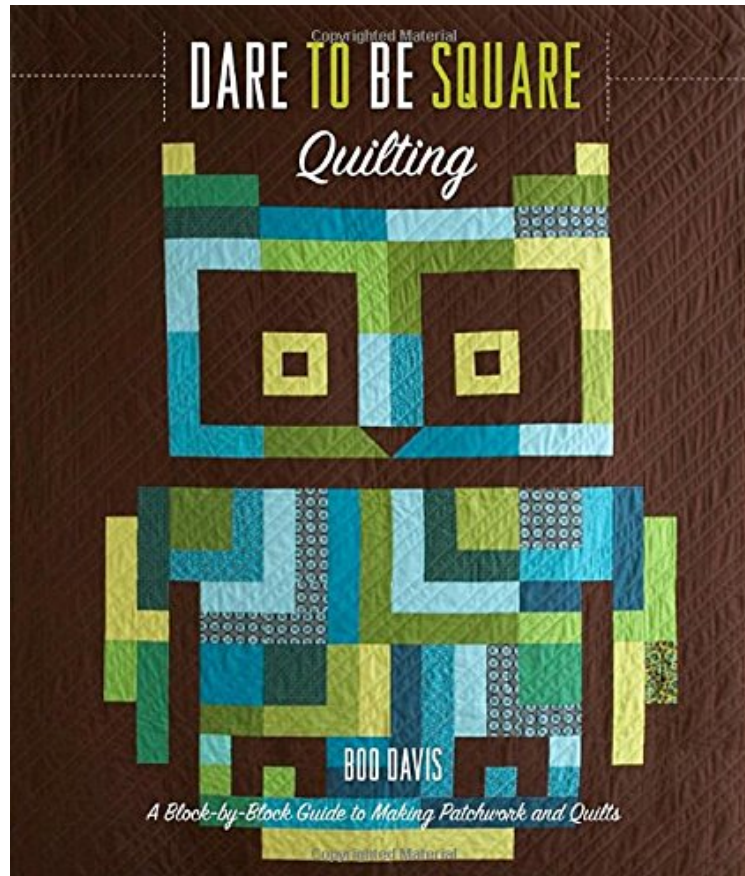


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simple, user-friendly binding method. It's simplistic and totally modern and in the now. I was DYING to know what kinds of quilt designs were in this book and didn't like the mystery...I HATE surprises, but a complete list wasn't available. I'll try to label them as best as I can. These are NOT the given names of the quilt, just what they are in layman's terms: Owl Quilt Robot Quilt Key Quilt Tree Quilt (this one is a little weird because it's all squares, but cute anyway) Alarm clock Quilt Wiener Dog Baby Quilt Deer/Stag Quilt Skull Quilt And 3 Modern Blocked Patterned Quilts There are also "how-to's" on pot holders, an apron, a scarf, place mats, a table runner and MORE! BUY THIS BOOK! You won't be disappointed, I promise! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. quirky, fun quilts By LADivorcee This book is fabulous! I've made two projects from it: Gridlock Grocery Getter (I've made over eight of these as gifts) and I'm a Weiner! Baby Quilt. The instructions for both were easy to follow and the chain piecing (Davis calls this "block off and buddy up") suggestions have been really useful in making quilts from other patterns. I'm going to make the robot quilt next. I like that the designs in this book are quirky, unusual and have a sense of humor and that the author confesses that she wanted to make herself "an evil, heavy metal quilt." Boo Davis is so refreshing (no pastels or stodgy, old fashioned designs here!) and a rock star! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great book! By Ziare Love this book! It's a great quilting book. I plan to make my backgrounds a bit simpler AKA .. not so many strips. But, overall I love this book and can't wait to make many of these quilts. It's just a fun thing honestly. There are so many that could be sized down for children's quilts. As the quilts in the book are rather large. 60x72 is a bit large and I felt that a lot of the patterns could be used for children. There's a robot, an owl, a dog and more. But I love the author's creativity when exploring how to make amazing quilts with strips and giving them a scrappy or put together look. I definitely don't regret buying this book I can't wait to get started! I'm going to make the cover quilt! It's going to be awesome!

Boo Davis is a rock star! Dare to Be Square Quilting is the perfect patchwork primer for beginners and a refreshing review for experienced quilters. A must-have book for any quilt or craft library. --Denyse Schmidt (author of Denyse Schmidt Quilts). . . My approach to quilting is an approach for true beginners. I don't like triangles, circles, hexagons, diamonds, rhombuses, or any shape that makes measuring a chore. (Can we stop right here and ponder the word rhombus? Man, that word is hilarious.) In this book, every project is designed using only squares and rectangles. Why just squares and rectangles? Because straight seams are easy to stitch! Craft a modern quilt with independent quilt-maker Boo Davis, whose fun, slightly quirky designs take quilts into new graphic territory. Using only simple shapes like rectangles and squares you'll see robots, skulls, alarm clocks, and owls come to life as fabulous, full-size quilts. With 10 charming quilt patterns, and 15 eye-popping patchwork projects perfect for afternoon or weekend crafting, Dare to Be Square Quilting reinterprets quilt traditions such as basket weave, rail fence, and housetop designs in a bold new way. With advice on color and fabric selection, and an extensive how-to section on quilting, Davis teaches the fastest, simplest, and most reliable methods modern quilting has to offer. Dare to make a quilt that's funny, fabulous, and from the heart . . . Dare to be square!

About the Author BOO DAVIS is a designer, illustrator, and the founder of Quiltsrche quilt studio. Her quilts have appeared in The New York Times, Revolver, BUST, HOW, and British Vogue as well as on Boing Boing, UrbanOutfitters.com, and Thrillist. As a graphic artist she has received recognition from Print magazine, Society for Publication Designers, and Society of Professional Journalists, among others.