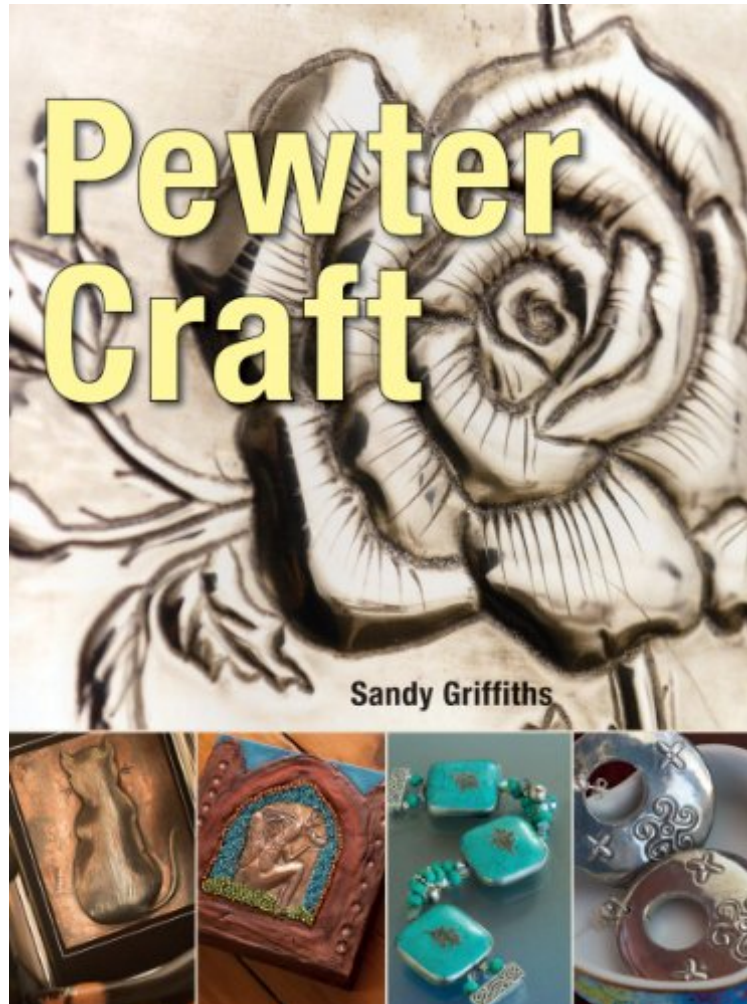


## Pewter Craft

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**Sandy Griffiths : Pewter Craft** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Pewter Craft:

6 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Pewter embossing and nothing else. Period.By athenasgrrlWell, I am annoyed. The book's title and description are SERIOUSLY lacking. They imply that there are a variety of techniques and projects in this book. There aren't. The only technique is embossing purchased pewter sheet metal, and the projects are variations on this one technique.In Ms. Griffith's defense, I must say she does lovely work, and has a very pleasant and informative style of writing. If you are looking for a relatively simple and inexpensive craft, this is a lovely book, which is why I gave it four stars. If you are looking for any other information on pewter crafts, then not so much.There was a review by Booklist, but I didn't get the impression from it that this book dealt ONLY with embossing, rather that it was another technique included. I suppose I'll keep the book and add it to my craft book pile, rather than be arsed to

return it, but it really should be retitled. I doubt I'll ever use it. 3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Metal artist  
By Janis Guyette This book was very informative, with clear instructions, and simple projects to familiarize one with working with pewter - a very seductive material that most metal artists will love. 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. New - Happy  
By Joe C Received the book and it is like new. Very happy

An illustrated guide to 40 original pewter projects. Pewter has strong hobbyist appeal in the crafts market. Easily punched, cut and modeled, pewter is perfect for relief work and embossing, and pewter work can be combined beautifully with other popular crafts, such as beading, woodworking and paper crafts. Modern pewter is also inexpensive, lead-free and readily available. Pewter Craft is a collection of 40 original projects that are easy to follow, quick to complete and encourage improvisation. Beginners will find clear instructions, while experienced crafters will find inspiration for personalized projects. Along with 50 original design templates, the book includes: Guidance on working with pewter A directory of materials and tools Beginner and refresher exercises Materials lists Step-by-step instructions How to create patina Crafter's notes The projects vary from striking jewelry and distinctive gifts to decor items, such as: Picture frames Earrings A wedding album Silver cross bracelet Bead necklace Art deco bowl Sushi plate Vintage bedside table A personalized journal This is a creative crafting book in a specialty subject area for which there are few other books available. (20101110)

From Booklist There's cast pewter, used to create all sorts of utilitarian objects such as goblets and flatware. Then there's pewter relief modeling, taking sheets of this highly flexible soft metal and molding them into various items, the subject of South African artist-author (Easy Pewter Projects, 2007) Griffiths' latest offering. There's much to applaud about this craft, beginning with readily available (and inexpensive) materials and tools. Techniques, too, don't demand mastery of difficult processes; in fact, the author provides what she calls refresher exercises in low and high relief, sculpturing, and polishing to ensure reader-crafters succeed. Her 50 projects feature eminently practical items to fashion or decorate, ranging from a bookmark and photo frames to bracelets and salad servers. (Note: pewter relief materials are lead-free.) Look for inspiration around the types of objects showcased rather than the actual design/style; patterns tend toward the naive/primitive. Yet innovation does exist in Griffiths' items, most particularly in the woven teaspoon caddy resembling a fine Italian handbag's texture. A great springboard for unlimited creativity. --Barbara Jacobs There's no smelting involved... The book gives step-by-step instructions, pictures of each project, and even templates of each decorative motif. (Paula Constantine Projo.com (Providence Journal) ) About the Author Sandy Griffiths is an experienced crafter who has demonstrated and taught several crafts for many years. She has a studio in Cape Town, South Africa, where she teaches pewter work and fabric painting. She is the author of Pewter Plus, which has sold well worldwide.