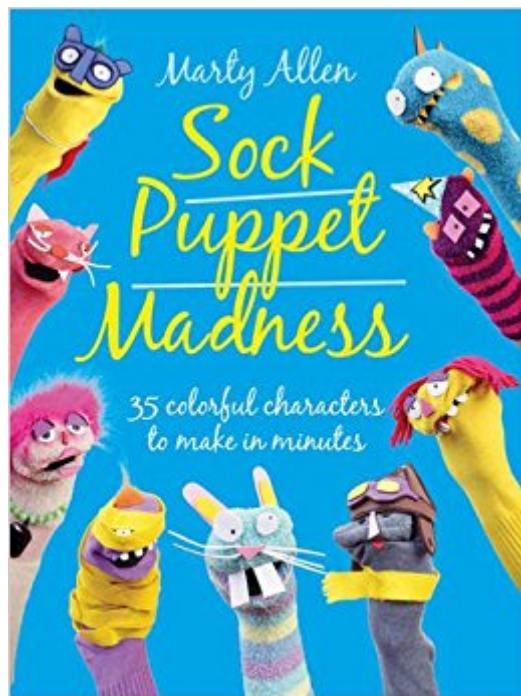


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# Sock Puppet Madness



## Synopsis

It's a simple equation: old sock + craft foam x glue = a collection of the most amazing incredible, outrageous, awe-inspiring sock puppets you've ever seen. *Sock Puppet Madness* includes 35 of the most fun, outlandish, off-the-wall and enchanting characters on the planet, and by following the simple step-by-step instructions, you'll be able to put together your own puppet in no time. Take Bawston the ornery cat puppet, for example. He's a baseball fan with a questionable temper, so watch what you say to him. A more friendly guy is Sebastian Metaphor. He may seem aloof with his hipster appearance but behind those sleepy eyes lies a heart of gold. If you're a sophisticated sort why not have a crack at Penelope Durtlinger, an heiress to a small fortune with an insatiable thirst for power. All the puppets are so simple to create, using just a few readily available materials that cost next to nothing - plus everyone has an old sock they can use, right? So what are you waiting for? Buy this now and make your own collection of sock puppets and join in the fun. And once you've made all the projects, why not create your own characters based on friends and family, too.

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## Customer Reviews

Marty Allen is a Boston-born, Brooklyn-based puppet-maker, artist, writer, musician and liker of life. He makes all sorts of things. One thing that he is least proficient at is writing biographies in the third person. While he likes to talk about himself at length, in general said missives devolve into something or other about sandwiches. Visit his website at [martystuff.com](http://martystuff.com).

Cute!

Our entire family from 6 years to 70 years did this project over Christmas vacation. We had a blast and the puppets were incredible!!!

I grew up in a time when making sock puppets was common way to create a beloved toy. Sock Puppet Madness brings back so many good memories! I am going to use Marty's ideas for an after-school enrichment class in my school. He has so many good ideas for characters that connect with the younger generation. His great sense of humor makes the reading of the instructions a ton of fun!

Crafts for people who don't want a crappy centerpiece or tedious cat scrapbook. Welcome to the darkside. Take that Martha!!!

Sock Puppet Madness gives you easy-to-follow instructions to make 35 of Marty Allen's signature sock puppets (from his web video series as well as his portrait photography). However, it's not just a how-to book. The biographies that Allen provides with each of his characters reminds readers that they are making \*characters\*, not puppets, and that these characters can have lives of their own in your imagination. Imagine being introduced to all the guests at a bizarre cocktail party, and being so engrossed with their personalities that you don't realize that there's someone else's hand up their backside. That is what this book is like.

I am looking forward to putting these techniques to use in the future.

Sock Puppet Madness is the perfect gift for the creative person in your life. A truly inspired book, filled with simple yet clever, step-by-step guides to building one-of-a-kind puppet personalities. Whether it's Baron Claudius Von Cudgel, Pete the Notable Ninja, or your own original creations, the oddball fun found within is positively infectious. Author Marty Allen is a mad genius with a rallying DIY spirit, who peppers the book with hilarious commentary and hand-drawn doodles. His colorful puppet examples are all gorgeously photographed within humorous environments, making this crafty book both instructional and a work of art in its own right. Sock Puppet Madness will certainly help kick start the future Jim Hensons of the world, and maybe motivate the rest of us to stop using our socks on our feet and instead get started on creating a new cast of puppet characters.

A great COFFEE TABLE BOOK and/or CRAFT BOOK!!!!!! A perfect activity to do with your children

that you to (adults!!!) will enjoy. I can't wait to create these creatures with my nieces the next time I visit with them. I originally bought the book for them but once I got it I had to get a second one because I wanted it. The beautiful illustrations, layout of the book and stories about each puppet character make this more than just a craft/ how to book but a 'story' book and piece of art in its own right. The wit, humor, and creativity Marty uses in his writing and the character he creates makes it enjoyable to look through for both adults and children. This a perfect activity for children's parties and to be honest I wanted to give it a try so I had a couple of friends over, had a couple glasses of white wine and created some amazingly awesome puppets. I have to say that I was able to follow along and create a sock puppet as were my friends and if we can do it a 6 year old will have no problem. I love this book!!! Get it!!!

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