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ABOUT THE BOOK A one of a kind book, *Secrets of Islamic Patterns* unlocks the mysteries of Islamic geometric patterns that adorn some of the most famous architecture and decorative arts in the Islamic world. Designed to engage both a younger audience and the adult beginner, the book provides a step-by-step process for creating stunning Islamic geometric patterns. Contains drawing exercises with easy to follow instructions, making pattern construction extremely accessible, and turning what at first appears difficult into a fun and educational activity. The accompanying puzzle is a key element to this accessibility and unique in the genre, introducing a playful and inter-active tool for all readers. *Mathematics of Ornament* makes the abstract and complex art form of Islamic geometric patterns both easy to do, but also fun and exciting. The book is extremely educational, teaching readers the basic principles of geometry, and enabling them to learn how mathematics and design are connected. **ABOUT THE ACTIVITY PUZZLE** The puzzle consists of four separate shapes with a geometric design printed on them, shapes that when placed together construct a larger pattern. Constructing the pattern enables the reader to learn how to build elaborate patterns from simple elements. The puzzle also encourages experimentation! The pattern combination of tiles varies with each use, producing unique and different patterns, and furthering creativity. **ABOUT THE**

BOX SET How-to book and puzzle pieces housed in a sturdy box-set with easy to follow instructions for all ages. Durable and expertly finished puzzle pieces housed in a beautiful box. Readers have the opportunity to turn their patterns into a work of art to display at home. This will be the first in a series of puzzles looking at other geometric designs not only from the Islamic tradition but other World traditions.

Ruler and Compass Ithaca Press

Presents an introduction to the origins and principles of geometry, describing geometric constructions that can be achieved through the use of rulers and compasses.

Islamic Geometric Patterns Metropolitan Museum of Art

... a major contribution to the world of science and of particular value to the documentation of the culture of Islam. N Gedal ... a masterly account of the way in which art and science are combined into aesthetic beauty by the Islamic geometric designs and motifs which decorate much of the Eastern World. M Evans ... This book will allow readers to travel through time and space, from ancient ornaments to the most modern computer graphics patterns. C. Pickover Ever since the discovery of the existence of seventeen space groups in two dimensions by Fedorov in 1891, it has been speculated that all seventeen could be found in Islamic art. But it is in this book that this remarkable fact is for the first time detailed and analysed, with beautiful illustrations. Rarely is there such a thought-provoking blend of esthetics and geometry with abstraction. C N Yang Geometrical form. Here, mathematics combines with art and exhibits clearly its aesthetic appeal Islamic patterns provide a marvellous illustration of symmetry and Drs.

Abas and Salman perform a useful service by taking this as their theme and blending it with ideas on computer graphics. Foreword by Michael Atiyah
Abas and Salman have assembled a fascinating collection that combines art, history, culture, science, mathematics and philosophy. Their examples range from a 12th-century minaret in Uzbekistan via the Alhambra in Granada to modern computer graphics of Koranic calligraphy on dodecahedrons and tori. They conclude by speculating on the prospect of creating Islamic patterns in virtual reality, where 'a seeker after unity in science and art would be able to submerge himself or herself in exquisite Alhambras of the mind'. Judging by the evidence presented here, it would be an unforgettable experience. New Scien

What is "Islamic" Art? National Geographic Books

Geometric patterns are perhaps the most recognizable visual expressions of Islamic art and architecture, magnificent in their beauty and awe-inspiring in their execution. Now, with the aid of this book, anyone can learn how to master this ancient art and create intricate patterns or re-create classic examples. An introduction guides the reader through the basics, and is followed by some of the best examples of geometric patterns from around the world, arranged into three levels of complexity, with careful, step-by-step instructions taking the reader through the stages of composition. The book also includes a CD-ROM, allowing you to experiment with Islamic geometric patterns on the computer.

Symmetries of Islamic Geometrical Patterns Metropolitan Museum of Art New York

"Examine the principles of geometric design that are the basis for the beautiful and intricate patterns in the art of the Islamic world. Includes a brief overview of Islamic art, an introduction to related works in the Museum, and a series of pattern-making activities (including reproducible grids) for use in the classroom. Teachers can readily adapt these materials to create exciting lessons in art, culture, math, and geometry"--Metropolitan Museum of Art website.

[Geometric Concepts in Islamic Art](#) A&C Black

Nearly 200 examples exhibit the wide range of Islamic art, including hexagon and octagon designs, combinations of stars and rosettes, and many variations on other geometric patterns. Twenty-eight examples from traditional sources in Cairo and Damascus include sanctuary doors, openwork windows, and inlaid marble pavements and ceilings.

Islamic Art and Geometric Design Broug Ateliers Ltd

Islamic Art of Illumination presents an amazing mixture of classical Turkish illumination patterns and their contemporary interpretations. Sema Onat, a prominent illumination artist in Turkey, displays her incredible pieces of art, skillfully swirling her imagination together with classical Turkish Islamic patterns of illumination.

Best Practice in Islamic Geometric Design Courier Corporation

There are two key aspects to the visual structure of Islamic design: calligraphy using Arabic script, and abstract ornamentation using a varied visual language. Focusing on the construction and meaning of Islamic geometric patterns this book offers insight into Islamic culture and is a resource for anyone interested in this artistic tradition. -- Dust Jacket.

Alex's Adventures in Numberland Cambridge University Press

Issam El-Said pinpoints the rules of composition that form the basis of the geometric concepts of Islamic art. He then shows how intricate patterns are based on these basic principles. Fully illustrated in three colors to show the development of the patterns, this book offers an insight into how craftsmen and designers in the Muslim world achieved monumental feats of artistic expression using the simplest of tools. Chapter I presents graphical analyses of numerous complex patterns, to reveal the numerical rationale behind them. In Chapter II, the author analyses the system of measure used in ancient Egypt, before the use of numbers for calculating measurements. He shows how measuring cords and a geometric method based on a grid-pattern originating from the circle were employed by master craftsmen in the design of Islamic art and architecture. The book offers an insight into how craftsmen and designers in the Muslim world have achieved monumental feats of artistic expression with harmony and precision, using the simplest of tools such as a ruler, a string and templates, together with a system of measure that is both simple and sophisticated.

Draw Islamic Geometric Star Patterns Thames & Hudson

This book deals with the genre of geometric design in the Islamic sphere. Part I presents an overview of Islamic history, its extraordinary spread from the Atlantic to the borders of China in its first century, its adoption of the cultural outlook of the older civilisations that it conquered (in the Middle East, Persia and Central Asia), including their philosophical and scientific achievements - from which it came to express its own unique and highly distinctive artistic and architectural forms. Part II represents the mathematical analysis of Islamic geometric designs. The presentation offers unlimited precision that allows software to reconstruct the design vision of the original artist. This book will be of interest to Islamic academics, mathematicians as well as to artists & art students.

Ferguson's Astronomy, Explained Upon Sir Isaac Newton's Principles Birkhäuser

Featuring new patterns with detailed explanatory texts, this revised edition is an inspirational guide for craftspeople and artists alike. The marvels of Islamic patterns—the most recognizable visual expression of Islamic art and architecture—are not just a beautiful accident. The ancient practitioners of this craft used traditional methods of measurement to create dazzling geometric compositions, often based on the repetition of a single pattern.

The results are magnificent in their beauty and awe-inspiring in their execution. Now, with the aid of this book, everyone can learn how to master this ancient art and create their own intricate patterns or re-create classic examples. All that is needed is a pencil, a ruler, a compass, and a steady hand. Technical tips demonstrate the geometric basics such as how to create designs from one of the foundational “family” shapes: a square, hexagon, or pentagon. This is followed by step-by-step instructions for reproducing some of the best examples of geometric patterns. Islamic Geometric Patterns contains twenty-three geometric patterns and brief histories of some of the most famous and beautiful Islamic art and architecture from around the world. This revised edition features seven new patterns from locations including: Ak Medrese in Nigde, Turkey; Chellah necropolis in Rabat, Morocco; Shah Jahan Mosque in Thatta, Pakistan; the Tomb of I'timad-ud-Daulah in Agra, India; the Alcazar in Seville, Spain; Zaouia Moulay Idriss II in Fes, Morocco; and Darwish Pasha Mosque in Damascus, Syria.

[Islamic Art in the Metropolitan Museum of Art](#) SUNY Press

A sumptuous exploration of the ways in which the Islamic arts have inspired the famous jewelry house Cartier, this book accompanies a major exhibition at the Musée des Arts Decoratifs, Paris, and the Dallas Museum of Art. Louis Cartier (1875–1942), the grandson of Cartier founder Louis-François, was an impassioned collector and patron of the arts. He was particularly entranced by Islamic arts, especially Persian book arts: their geometric shapes, color combinations, and motifs are apparent in Cartier jewelry to this day. Louis’s younger brother Jacques—an expert in precious stones—traveled to India and the Persian Gulf in 1911 and 1912 to experience the culture and bring home treasures of the Middle East: natural pearls. This was the pivotal moment when the dialogue between these two worlds opened up, eventually blossoming into a beautiful relationship that has lasted for decades. Published to accompany a major exhibition at the Musée des Arts Decoratifs in Paris and the Dallas Museum of Art, Cartier and Islamic Arts delves into the Cartier archives to trace the story of Louis Cartier’s love of Islamic art and the ways in which he incorporated the Islamic world’s stylized motifs into Cartier’s jewelry. Dazzling photographs are accompanied by in-depth texts from a raft of distinguished scholars of both Islam and the decorative arts.

Islamic Art and Geometric Design Courier Corporation

This resource offers an introduction to the principles of Islamic art and the geometric designs upon which it is based. Presenting beautiful Islamic works from the collection of The Metropolitan Museum of Art along with a series of pattern-making activities involving straightedge and compass, these materials are designed for use in the classroom and may be readily adapted by teachers to create exciting lessons in art, culture, mathematics, and geometry. The boxed set includes a booklet with background information on Islamic art, eleven pattern-making activities (including reproducible geometric grids), twenty slides of Islamic works in the Metropolitan's collection, bibliographies, resources, and a glossary.

Art of Islam Springer

This book on symmetric geometric patterns of Islamic art has educational, aesthetic, cultural and practical purposes. Its central purpose is to bring to the attention of the world in general, and the people of Islamic culture in particular, the potential of the art for providing a unified experience of science and art in the context of mathematical education. Unlike other books on Islamic patterns, this book emphasizes the educational potential in the context of modern physics, chemistry, crystallography and computer graphics. The symmetric structure of about 250 Islamic patterns is presented. Simple, but detailed original, unpublished algorithms suitable for modern computer graphics are given for the construction of two-dimensional periodic patterns. Endorsed by prominent experts from the fields of Physics to Systems and Cybernetics, this book promises to be a must-read, not only for specialised mathematicians, but also for students, graphic artists, illustrators, computer hobbyists, as well as the lay reader keen to explore Islamic art.

[Cartier and Islamic Art](#) Thames & Hudson

Beautifully rendered from book illustrations, pottery, metalwork, carvings, and other sources, these 280 black-and-white designs include geometrics, florals, and animal and human figures in circular, hexagonal, rectangular, and other shapes.

Practical Geometric Pattern Design World Scientific

Learn how to draw seven geometric star patterns from around the Islamic world, using only a pencil, straight edge, and a pair of compasses. Patterns featured are from Baghdad, Fes, Cairo, Konya, Delhi and Damascus. Suitable for ages 9 and up. No calculations are necessary. The least complicated way of learning Islamic geometric design is to understand and use the same techniques that craftsmen in the Islamic world have used for centuries. These craftsmen were not mathematicians; they knew how to make things with their hands but they did not use measurements or calculate angles to make their compositions. Their tools were a pair of compasses, a ruler and a pencil. By drawing lines, circles and arcs they were able to make all their patterns and compositions. This is also how you will be able to draw these patterns. This book will teach you how to draw seven different star patterns. All the patterns in this book can be made without calculations and measurements. They can be made by hand or on a computer. All you need to be able to do is draw circles and lines. The tools you need if you are drawing by hand are a pair of compasses, a ruler and pencils. Each pattern is constructed in a step-by-step process.

[Islamic Design: A Mathematical Approach](#) Bloomsbury Publishing USA

Islamic Geometric Coloring Book. These 46 dynamic illustrations feature interlocking repetitive Islamic art. Colorists and crafters alike will be inspired by the original motifs. The full-page images offer a wealth of imaginative coloring possibilities. Perfect Activity for Adults Also kids by coloring Islamic Gemotric. Islamic Geometric Coloring Book featur: 96 pages. 8.5 x 11 inches 46 islamic geometric to coloring.

[The Topkapi Scroll](#) National Geographic Books

A bold, readable, and beautifully illustrated introduction to Islamic art and architecture, this renowned book is now available in an updated and revised edition featuring color illustrations throughout. Including over a thousand years of history and stretching from the Atlantic to the borders of India and China, Islamic Art and Architecture is an unparalleled narrative of the arts of Islamic civilization. From the death of the Prophet Muhammad to 1900, Islamic art expert Robert Hillenbrand traces the evolution of an extraordinary range of art forms, including architecture, calligraphy, book illumination, painting, ceramics, glassware, textiles, and metalwork. This new edition includes a chapter examining art produced from 1700 to 1900, an understudied period in the area, exploring how these centuries saw incredible creativity across the Islamic world. Featuring full-color illustrations of masterpieces of Islamic art and architecture, from seventh-century Arabia via Moorish Spain to modern Iran, this book shows the far-reaching stylistic developments that have shaped Islamic art. Including maps, an updated glossary, and suggested further reading, this authoritative and accessible volume sheds light on the recurrent preoccupations and themes that have shaped the arts of Islam since the seventh century.

Arts & Crafts of the Islamic Lands Eric Broug

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[Secrets of Islamic Patterns](#) Wooden Books Journals

The main focus of this unique book is an in-depth examination of the polygonal technique; the primary method used by master artists of the past in creating Islamic geometric patterns. The author details the design methodology responsible for this all-but-lost art form and presents evidence for its use from the historical record, both of which are vital contributions to the understanding of this ornamental tradition. Additionally, the author

examines the historical development of Islamic geometric patterns, the significance of geometric design within the broader context of Islamic ornament as a whole, the formative role that geometry plays throughout the Islamic ornamental arts (including calligraphy, the floral idiom, dome decoration, geometric patterns, and more), and the underexamined question of pattern classification. Featuring over 600 beautiful color images, *Islamic Geometric Patterns: Their Historical Development and Traditional Methods of Construction* is a valuable addition to the literature of Islamic art, architecture and geometric patterns. This book is ideal for students and scholars of geometry, the history of mathematics, and the history of Islamic art, architecture, and culture. In addition, artists, designers, craftspeople, and architects will all find this book an exceptionally informative and

useful asset in their fields. Jay Bonner is an architectural ornamentalist and unaffiliated scholar of Islamic geometric design. He received his MDes from the Royal College of Art in London (1983). He has contributed ornamental designs for many international architectural projects, including the expansion of both the al-Masjid al-Haram (Grand Mosque) in Mecca, and the al-Masjid an Nawabi (Prophet's Mosque) in Medina, as well the Tomb of Sheikh Hujwiri in Lahore, and the Ismaili Centre in London - to name but a few. He is committed to the revitalization of Islamic geometric design through the teaching of traditional methodological practices. To this end, in addition to publishing, Jay Bonner has lectured and taught design seminars at many universities and conferences in North America, Europe, North Africa and Asia.

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