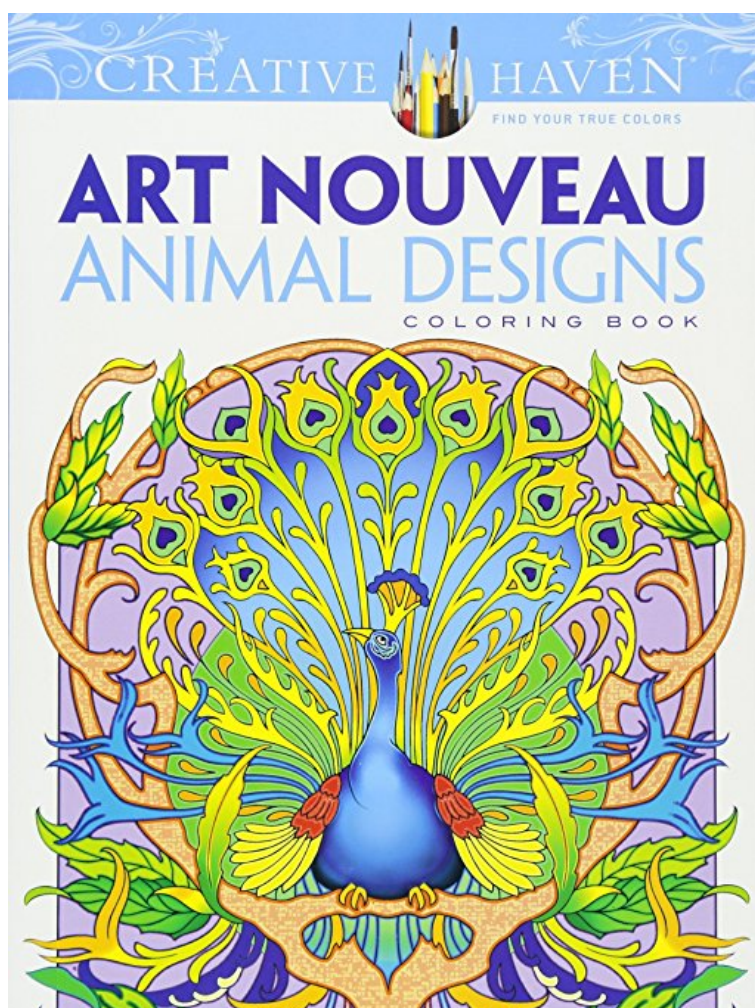


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Dover Creative Haven Art Nouveau Animal Designs Coloring Book (Adult Coloring)



Customer Reviews

Every single illustration in this book is captivating. I love coloring in this book and it is a favorite with all of my school aged grandchildren, both boys and girls. The flowing, elegant, artistic, illustrations spark your creativity and draw children away from video games and TV. I have to be honest, I saw the image of this coloring book and it intrigued me, but I didn't have a clue about the title. What is Art Nouveau? Then I really wanted to know what type of animals were included in the illustrations. What is Art Nouveau? (I looked it up on line) 1. Art Nouveau (New Art) is a style of decorative art and design that was popular in the US from about 1890 until World War I and characterized by intricate linear designs and flowing curves based on natural forms. The illustrations in this book feature patterns of animals (not mammals (see below) intertwined vines, flowers, and other plants. What Animals are in the book? 2. I counted the pages and this book has 13 pages featuring birds, 10 pages featuring mammals, and 7 pages with miscellaneous other species as follows: 1 butterflies, 2 fish, 1 crayfish, 1 with frogs and dragon flies, 1 snails and butterflies, 1 with seahorse, shells and starfish and one with a bird, fish and frogs. 3. 31 Illustrations printed one per page (the back of each page is blank) on heavy weight, bright white, perforated pages. 4. Details vary per illustration. 5. Use crayons, colored pencils, gel pens, or markers with this book. If your pens or markers leach through the page, just place a scrap piece of paper under the page you are coloring and leave the book open until dry. 6. Two fully colored pages are included on the inside covers to kick start your imagination. I have included those with other pictures to help you decide if this is just the right book for you. My older grandchildren both boys and girls (age 8 and up) and I love this coloring book. The pictures are too detailed for my grandchildren to finish in one afternoon but the perforated pages allow me to easily remove the pages for the children to take home and finish.

Adult coloring books are a wonderful way to escape from various aspects of our daily lives that can cause us stress. For me, I have a very ill mother (terminal cancer) who has been an artist all of her life, yet now her hands shake and short-term memory is problematic. Yet give her an adult coloring book (or two or three...), a firm top lap desk, several types of colored pencils and accessories and she is very happy to delve into the image for hours at a time while recovering from chemo treatments in her bed. Even I enjoy coloring these pages as Noble consistently produces images (many from famous works of art) that are simple to challenging when found in these coloring books. This book "Art Nouveau Animal Designs" is amazing particularly due to the details included within each image. When my mother's copy arrived today, I was so happy to see the joy on her face as

many of the designs included magnificent birds (her favorite animal next to her real-life puppy). A few relatives were also here when I gave it to my mother and they expressed interest in having their own copy of this coloring book...all over the age of twenty! So coloring is not just for kids anymore! (PS: Hospice nurse also approved!)

These Marty Noble books are a great hobby for adults - it's fun to figure out what colors to use and how to do the shading and bringing the images to vivid life with bright colors. It demands serious concentration which makes it very relaxing as all thoughts have to leave your head so you can work on the complicated designs - it's almost a form of meditation. And, when you are done you have a beautiful drawing (I use colored pencils, my favorite medium), suitable for framing. These Art Nouveau Animal Designs are particularly lovely. Art Nouveau is French for "New Art," it was an art movement that brought nature into design (flowers, birds, all kinds of animals) and believed art should be part of everyone's everyday life. For instance, art should not just be something you go and see at a museum, your house and furniture should be artistically designed, the knives and forks you eat with should be artistically designed - that's why you can see art nouveau styled household objects like lamps and chairs, because we should all be living with art. Art Nouveau, and its philosophy, later lead to the Arts & Crafts movement.

Great! I'm a non-skilled adult at art, but I love coloring books and have been getting kids ones from the dollar tree but they were waaaay to simple, so I decided to search for grown-up coloring books (DO NOT search for Adult Coloring books that's something else entirely and personally I think pretty gross! Unless you're into that) I found these books by Creative Haven and ordered 3 types. I must say since receiving them I've spent hours upon hours coloring. Each one is a bit of a challenge and very time consuming. I've honestly been so hooked on this and the other books from Creative Haven that I have stayed up all night well past sunrise coloring (no I do not have a job, or kids, or a life just fortunate enough I can color all night) on a few occasions. I'm so pleased with these books! They have a website with tons more available and I plan to purchase quite a many more! The creativity is amazing! Buy This Book!

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