

THE SOAPMAKER'S COMPANION

A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE WITH
RECIPES, TECHNIQUES & KNOW-HOW



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Cavitch provides tips for making a lot more than 40 different specialty soaps, showing you how to design colourful marbled pubs and expertly blend elements to create custom fragrances. It quickly be building luxurious soaps in a fraction of the cost of boutique products. In this comprehensive guide, Susan Miller Cavitch covers everything you need to understand to create your own soaps. You' Learn the essential techniques for crafting oil-, cream-, and vegetable-structured soaps, and start experimenting with your own personalized scents and effects. Important See Early printings of this book contain a recipe variation in a sidebar note about page 36. As a result of further testing, writer Susan Miller Cavitch and Storey Publishing strongly suggest that you do not try this variation. Adding honey if you are merging the sodium hydroxide and water may create a stronger reaction with more intense heat. The blend may bubble up quickly and emerge from the pot, posing a potential hazard.



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However, it is worth noting that soap producing never changes and when you prefer having a book near by to reference, I recommend this book. There is nothing wrong with the publication except that it's been outdone by time; there is in fact a section presenting topics such as "What Does "Online" mean?" and "What is the web?". Sure, there are no color pictures or fancy graphics, but this has plenty of good, basic details in a single place seeing that a reference. This might very well be the most complete book designed for vegetable-based soaps and the easiest to follow, nonetheless it is not foolproof enough to become a sole resource for the beginner. Comprehensive zero frills guide to soapmaking The Soapmaker's Companion is a no-muss no-fuss guide to soap producing. As it states in the name, it really is "A Comprehensive Guide". Good reference book for soap making I tried most of the quality recipes in this book and most of them work quite nicely. I've been using the soap I designed for about a year now and all of them have organized and performed beautifully. Everything written in the publication is clear and helpful, no muss or fuss. That is a great reserve to learn the fundamentals and make some quality soap. My one complaint is that all of the soaps aren't very fragrant - the next time I will likely double the quantity of called for fragrance in the recipes. This book is NOT for folks who dislike math!! The book provides solid basics on safety, equipment to use (also to avoid), along with good techniques. On the other hand, it is suggested the "soaper" purchase 2 scales for different measurements. I wondered why (the My Weigh KD-7000 handles various different types - gms, kgs, ozs, lbs) .. When it is THAT little, I don't be worried about it, unless it really is feathers vs rocks). then started reading the "recipes". Discuss confusion! Gleam lot of info for those who want more specialized information on the chemistry of soap producing.) at those temps. Material and content are also outdated if you're looking for even more of today's interesting and natural, handcrafted, or organic soaps.. Mixing types of pounds measures isn't only confusing in some recoverable format, but can easily result in errors in weighing and measuring ingredients. If I make ANY of these recipes, I will convert ALL measurements to the Equal weight reference for regularity and accuracy. The very best of slim pickin's I selected Ms. Chapter 8 - "Diagnosing Signs of Trouble" has quite a thorough list of factors/what to do for troubleshooting issues through the soapmaking procedure. And, unless the recipe was incorrect to begin with, I have zero idea WHY.! In one recipe - the Initial one, in fact, you can find 3 pounds types used - lbs, ozs, and gms. We've come a long way since this book was published in 1997. Just double check your measurements prior to making one of the recipes. that makes it problematic for me to hold focused while trying to read the book. Keep in mind, weigh twice, pour (or cut) once (with fabric it's measure twice, lower once, hah!). Recipes for natural soaps. The fonts are small and faded in fact it is extremely challenging to read them, even with a magnifying glass. Probably the most useful aspect of it for me may be the charts that describe the aspects of each kind of fat (oil) which you can use as it relates to the completed bar. No images, interesting details, or visually pleasing materials to improve its attractiveness; Looking towards trying a few of the recipes. Helpful info for all of us beginners Grest book breaks factors down for us beginners cant wait to try out a recipe Five Stars Good condition Arrived in poor condition.com. I hope you enjoy making soap as much as I do. Dated and boring Very hard to learn because of boring, fact & instruction only format of the book. Therefore I'm shopping around to find the best deals on ingredients and supplies. Then check them again. Tsps is usually thrown in just to create your eyeballs spin (generally that is a quantity measure, rather than a weight measure. Do you want a company bar? I'm just getting started in this hobby. All you need to learn about making soap I love making soap and also have checked this reserve from the library often. If so, it'll suggest coconut essential oil. If you would like something softer,

they maybe a mix of soy bean oil. It was folded up in a mailer and is certainly permanently deformed rendering it hard to lay out to learn while making the recipes. It is a fantastic reference book for some things "soap". I purchased this as a gift for a soap maker to-become and she loves it. 1 day I will obtain my own, but I have actually grown keen on my local library duplicate and generally don't vary my soap dishes that much anymore. Very good book, not for Kindle This is a very good book, well written with a lot of useful information.! The recipies are substantially improved in volume for the brand new soapmaker, right down to 3. Great comprehensive book to make natural soaps. Had I known I'd have ordered the paper version. It was disappointing really. Other than that, so much, there are several helpful ideas and factors in the publication. Cavitch's books because they appeared to be the very best of a blended great deal. The Soapmaker's Companion is generally more valuable than its prediccissor, The Organic Soap Book, & most of the descriptions of process, oils, colorants, and fragrance remain identical. They could, however, still use some improvement. Nevertheless, all the charts that are included, which are very useful for reference, cannot be read within the Kindle format. 75 lbs per batch from 10 lbs in the original book. And the newer book includes complete chemistry with SAP values for most fats, fatty acid percentages, and a detailed lye calculator to aid in making your personal recipies or modifying other's. Unfortunately, the instructions, recipies, and troubleshooting have a way to go before they're foolproof. I just produced my first batch of Soap Essentials II, and it got over two hours to trace. Mixing yourself. It was NO FUN. Gleam list of Soapmaking Characteristics with regards to processing temperatures which explains a whole lot about how and just why soap acts the way it can at various temperature ranges and what that can be done (or not really do! Soap-making suppliers and individual soap makers have made tremendous contributions to providing on the web content via sites, You-Tube and Pinterest. Great soapmaking book Highly recommended to add to any soapmaker's library Quality instructions and how to's I learning a lot from the suggestions from other soap makers and the books. Very helpful on formulating a fresh recipe Very educational about the different acids that define an excellent bar of soap. It always will come in handy when I want more info on a different oil. Found some good prices on natural oils on wholesalesuppliesplus. Good book but was in poor condition, very worn. Need to know how much lye to increase lard to make an old fashioned bar, well it will tell you that aswell. Five Stars Well organized



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