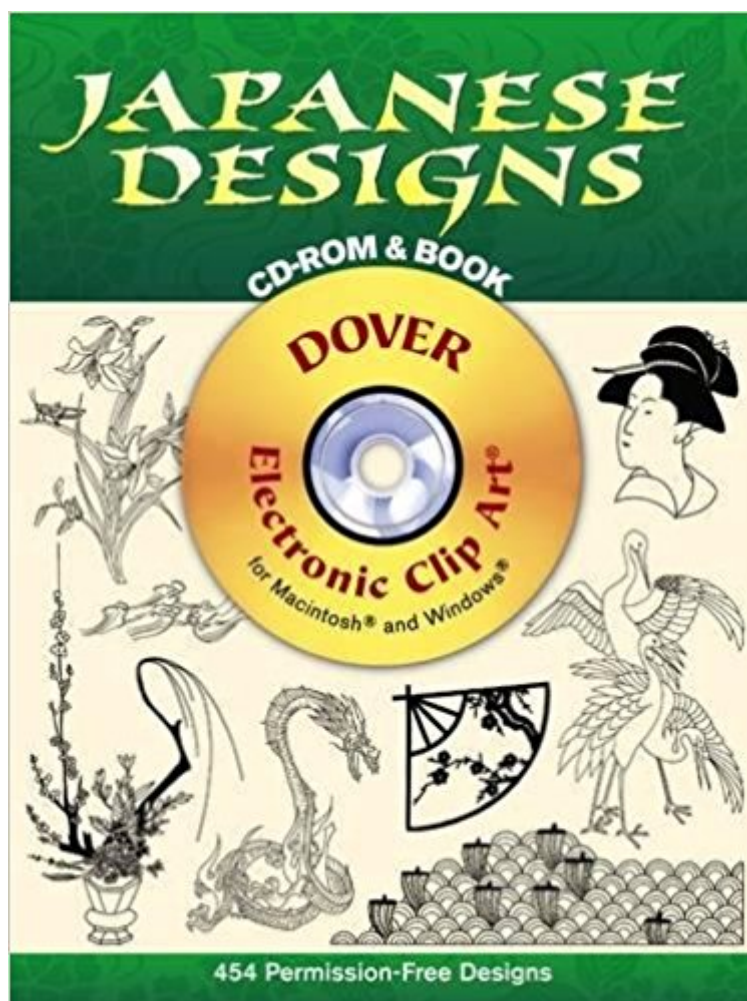


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So-so. Designs are too large and bold/dense for my taste. I bought these to use on A2 cards but the shapes are just too big and too bold. If you scan them and reduce the size, the image becomes unrecognizable.

Purchased as a gift for someone looking for ideas. Great format to the book, excellent having it all on disc.

I will be using these ideas and designs for several different types of projects! Can't wait.

This is just next to useless. The files contain low-resolution, pixelated, blocky JPEGs. Trying to auto-trace them in Illustrator produces nothing but messy, useless blobs. DO NOT waste your money OR your time with these things.

Those of you who may have read that this collection has vector art files--beware. There are .eps files but they merely contain jpgs of the clipart. While the selection is OK, I found the artwork to be a little shabby. It seemed like they were scanned from something. Some types of designs that I were hoping would be in there, like kimono motifs, were not. Is it useful? Certainly. Disappointing? Definitely.

I've been looking through this series for ideas for polymer and metal clay jewelry designs. The faces and figures are lovely, and the repeating motifs of flowers and geometrics are very nice. The

dragons are a little lame, but I like Chinese dragons. The gin spirits are delightful and so active, they more than make up for the lazy dragon motifs. A very passible source for design ideas.

This book offers excellent designs, if you're after an Asian aesthetic the way I am, and the CD-ROM allows you to size the designs on your computer. Very useful for the wearable art and etched jewelry we make!

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