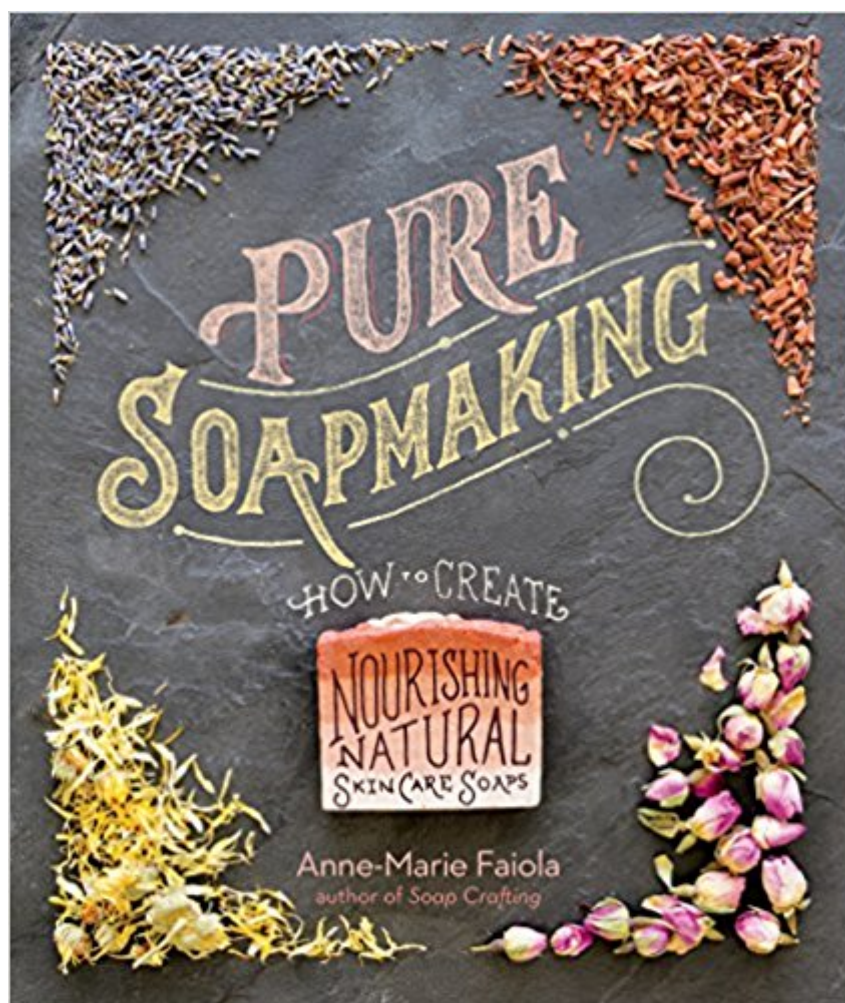


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# Pure Soapmaking: How To Create Nourishing, Natural Skin Care Soaps



## Synopsis

The pure luxury of soaps made with coconut butter, almond oil, aloe vera, oatmeal, and green tea is one of life's little pleasures. And with the help of author Anne-Marie Faiola, it's easy to make luscious, all-natural soaps right in your own kitchen. This collection of 32 recipes ranges from simple castile bars to intricate swirls, embeds, and marbled and layered looks. Begin with a combination of skin-nourishing oils and then add blueberry puree, dandelion-infused water, almond milk, coffee grounds, mango and avocado butters, black tea, or other delicious ingredients and then scent your soap with pure essential oils. Step-by-step photography guides you through every stage of cold-process soapmaking.

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"This book has everything you need for success. From buttermilk to alkanet root, and from swirls to layers, and everything in between, you'll be making amazing natural soap in no time. A great addition to your soapy library!" Donna Maria Coles Johnson, Founder and CEO, Indie Business Network

Pamper Your Skin with Natural Ingredients Learn to make beautiful, nourishing soaps -- it's fun, and your skin will thank you! Moisturize with shea butter, exfoliate with crushed walnut shells, and soothe itchy skin with oatmeal. More than 30 expertly formulated recipes take advantage of the beneficial properties in many natural ingredients.

I bought this book for natural soap recipes- and I agree with a few other reviews, not all the ingredients used are natural. I was hoping for some recipes with exotic cold pressed oils, but the recipes use common oils and butters, some good, some not good at all. Pros: the photos are great and so is the spiral bound design. Some of the recipes are simple. Some of the ingredients used are common and easy to find. Some of the recipes look really fun! Cons: I recognized a great many of the designs from the Amy Warden Soap Challenge and the original artisan soap makers were not given credit (design ideas are not exclusive to the Soap Queen). You're gonna have to spend a WHOLE lot of money buying the molds she uses for the recipes and the equipment. Instead of telling you how many ounces a recipe makes- you get how many bars based on her molds (a pain in the butt for a newbie to figure out using your own molds.) More than half the book is for advanced soap makers. Some recipes call for food items like potato or cucumber or banana- however there are powdered extracts that would be much safer to use IF you were selling these soaps (as far as I know the FDA does not approve raw food in soaps). The book is a copycat of other artisans original works and really instead of using ordinary easy to find molds it compels you to go to her company to buy the equipment (or buy it cheaper here on [Amazon](#) : )

**SOME THINGS YOU NEED:** You need a silicone log mold, a wooden slab mold, a individual silicone cavity mold, a silicone slab mold (smaller), and a long log mold with dividers, and round molds, embellishment molds, natural colorants, oxides, tons of essential oils, heating pad, section tools, sodium lactate (in all the recipes), cupcake mold, stamp, rubber mallet, sealable tea bags, herbs, bubble wrap, cookie cutters, powder sifter, chopsticks, frosting bag and tip... it goes on and on. This is not for the beginning soap maker that has limited funds and space (some recipes require the freezer over night). The simplest recipes are the Olive Oil Brine, and Oatmeal Soap for Babies. I give it three stars for the photos, layout, time and effort, the attempt of making it somewhat NATURAL SOAPMAKING, and the spiral binder, and because she used other artisans designs and not her own (even though she doesn't credit them).

This book is a great tool for every soap maker. It not only gives great recipes, it also goes into the science of additives, colorants, and chemicals. Anne-Marie's explanations, safety precautions, ideas, and information make this book a valuable resource. The pictures are beautiful, the recipes and precautions (safety precautions and precautions about what each additive might do to your batter) are thorough and clearly-stated. Bonus: If only all crafting books had this spiral binding and hard cover, craft life would be so much easier!

I am soooo excited to receive my Soap Book today!!! I am starting to make my own soap and

eventually start my own business. The reason why I gave 4 stars was because even though the book is new, the front book cover was dirty, but other than that the book is gorgeous!!! Cannot wait to start!!!!

Although I haven't tried to make any soap yet, I've really enjoyed reading this book. The instructions are very clear and there are several soap variations I want to try. Because I am a little nervous about working with lye for the first time, I'm going to make some with a friend who has soap making experience and then I look forward to trying many recipes in this book!

After buying Soap Crafting I was drooling with anticipation to read Pure Soapmaking.....unfortunately almost every recipe has ingredients that I dont have and I have a lot of ingredients. ....I will keep the book on hand and maybe some day I will appreciate it more than I do now. Other than that Anne Marie does carefully cover the different oils used and their properties, the effects of natural colorants both initially and after a few months so the book does have some very helpful information.

My copy did come with some weird marks on the inside cover. Like specks of something. Other than that, this was a gift for my friend that is interested in starting her own soap company. She loves it! I think it being spiral bound is genius.

I originally found this book while browsing a bookstore. I spent so much time enthralled by it that I knew it had to be mine. The spiral binding means it can be laid flat very easily, for use on the table or with a book stand (or tablet stand in my case). That means hands-free recipe access. The pictures are beautiful and inspiring and the book is written in Anne-Marie's voice so its uplifting and cheerful, feeling like a helpful teacher. I'm working on my first recipe tonight and I'm excited!

I'm new to soap making and this is an excellent starting place for me. It really helped me get a grasp on what I will need and how the process works. I can't wait to try some of the amazing recipes in this book! There are beautiful full color photos as well.

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