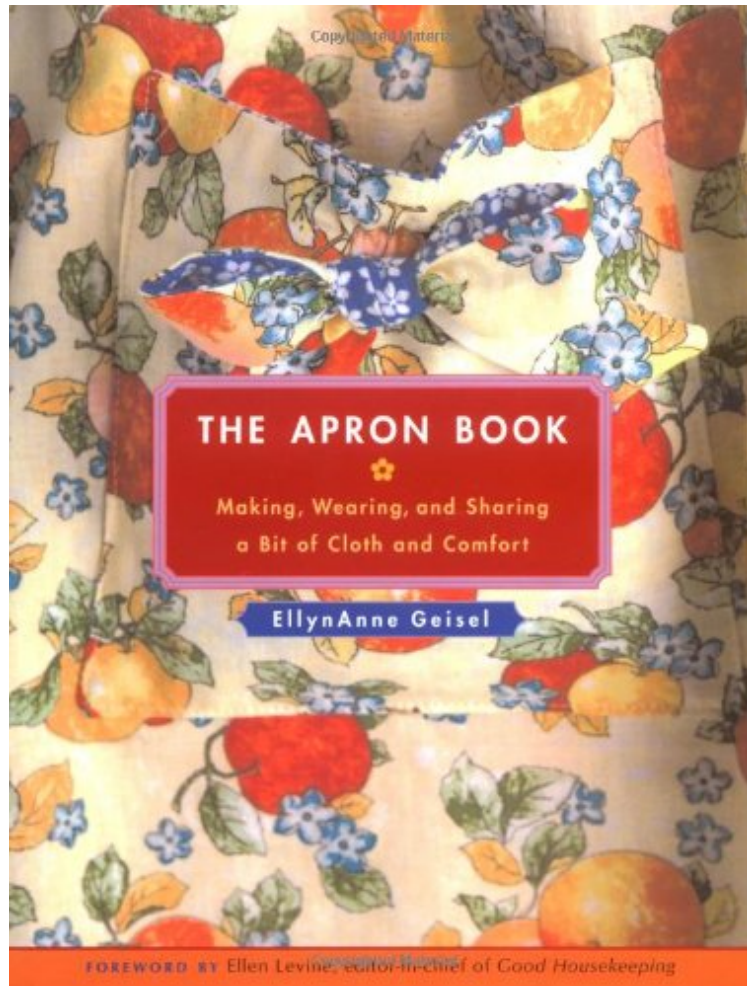


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a lot of lush color photographs of beautiful apron examples. There is a brief history of the apron (not boring at all I swear), the evolution of the apron, from utility aprons, to the fancy organza hostess aprons and everything in between. There is even a pattern to sew your own apron. This book is put together so well, the photos are lovely, and the book is well written. There is a traveling apron exhibit with hundreds of aprons that may be near you or a short drive. I hope to catch it somewhere. The exhibit will travel until 2015.

Aprons are back! After more than 30 years in the attic, aprons are making a splashy comeback in a happy convergence of nostalgia, pop culture, and contemporary fashion. Vintage aprons and modern designs are turning up in movies, magazine spreads, upscale shops, and hip retail venues like Anthropologie, whose trendy line of aprons is selling as fast as they can stock them. The Apron Book is an infectiously enthusiastic guide to aprons, old and new, that are suddenly everywhere. Aprons take us back to our favorite place—hearth and home. Vintage aprons help us remember home and family the way they used to be, while bright and sassy contemporary aprons confirm that nesting is all the rage. Actress and trendsetter Julia Roberts has a closetful of vintage aprons. Celebrity custom-made apron auctions have become an annual event for several popular charities in the past few years. The Apron Book provides full-color photos of new and vintage aprons from the author's collection, patterns for four basic apron styles and myriad variations, recipes, tips on collecting and preserving vintage aprons, and heart-tugging stories from the author's traveling apron exhibit. The book also explores the heyday of aprons and looks at the various roles aprons still play when worn in the kitchen, around the house, by the backyard grill, on the job, and for special occasions. Warm and inviting—but like an apron quite practical!—this book is a celebration of a great American icon and reminds us of what we loved about the people who wore them.

"Easy-to-follow instructions, quirky facts, personal stories, and vintage illustrations make this book as charming as each pretty cover-up featured inside." -- *Homemakers* magazine
"EllynAnne Geisel has restored dignity to a symbol of domesticity long gone from many kitchens—the apron." -- *Denver Post*
"Part how-to, part history, this book is like grandma's pudding—comforting and a great treat." -- *Create Decorate*
"The Apron Book unfolds like a bolt of fabric—the pattern of a life remembered through a homely object." -- *NPR's Weekend All Things Considered*
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EllynAnne Geisel, who lives in Pueblo, Colorado, is the author of *The Apron Book* and the creator of *Apron Chronicles*, the traveling exhibit. Her apron designs have appeared in *Vogue* and have been worn by Bree in *Desperate Housewives*. She's been a guest on both *NPR's All Things Considered* and *CBS News' Sunday Morning*. She continues to make nationwide appearances to promote her books and exhibit.