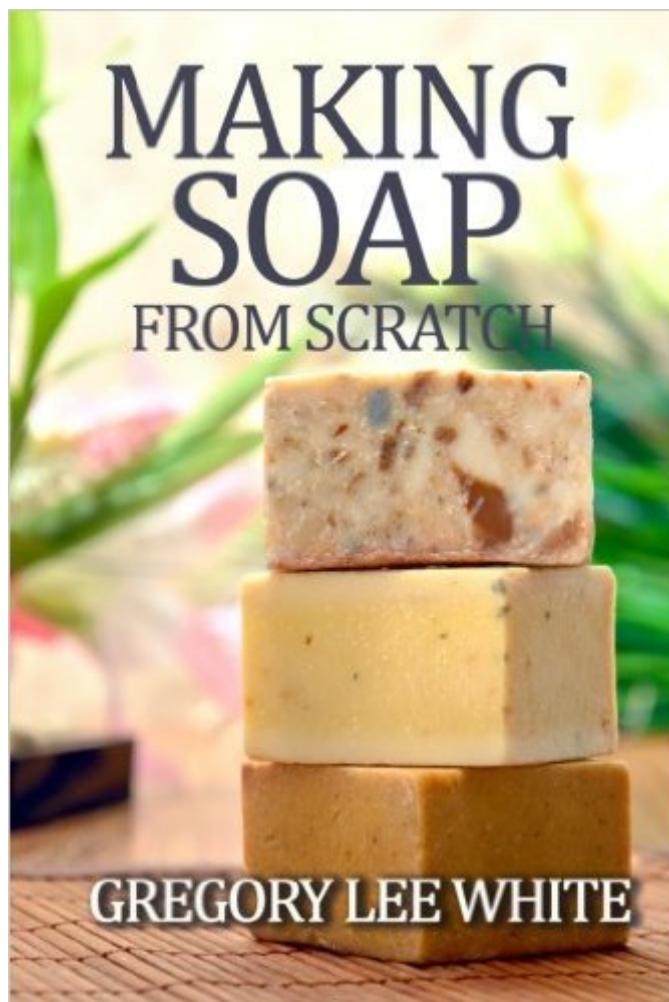


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# Making Soap From Scratch: How To Make Handmade Soap - A Beginners Guide And Beyond



## **Synopsis**

With a no-nonsense approach and easy to follow directions, professional soap maker, Gregory White, shares his experience (and recipes) for creating cold process soaps. White takes the reader step by step through the process of making natural soaps for family, friends, and for profit. Easy to understand and master. This second edition includes extended directions for first time soap makers, new recipes, how to make soap in small and large batches and a guide to using essential oils. Includes tips and advice for how to cut and cure soap, how to sell your soaps, packaging and labeling, and how to set up at a craft fair or market. Over 45 soap recipes from luxurious to economical.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Making Soap from Scratch is a great book for the DIY soap maker. Every detail in the process of soap making is covered without being overwhelming. Small batch and bulk soap making are both thoroughly covered. I was very impressed with the chapter detailing the actual recipes. The recipes cover everything from the super luxurious to the more economical. Resources and suppliers are also listed to make gathering all the ingredients very easy. This book will be an invaluable reference tool in my personal soap making practice.

This is one of a couple of books that I have picked up recently on soap making. I'm new to the hobby for sure, though its something that I have always wanted to do. I finally decided to go for it since I still shave with a mug and brush, and have used shaving soap for years that I buy on Ebay

that others have whipped up themselves. I thought it was about time I took a shot at it, and have since found it a very fun and satisfying hobby. (And the house always smells so nice). Plus, I get to make the soaps as sudsy and as fragrant as I want, in any scent I want. This book "Making Soap" reminds me in some ways of the old cliff notes the way it is so straightforward and lean in its presentation. Just the facts ma'am is a good way to describe the way this book roles along in explaining the basics, the materials needed, lots of recipes and helpful tips, all without any chapter that speaks of the authors story of getting into soap making, or the history of it. If you would like a book that contains a lot of history and personal glimpses on the subject, this book is not for you. Instead it reads very easily, and is clear and precise in making it as simple as possible for the true beginner. I really like this book and feel it is all anyone should ever need that is thinking of getting into the soap making game, and is just interested in keeping it real... : )

I am a novice soap maker. I bought this book in hopes of learning different recipes and methods for Cold Process soap making. Although the author shares lots of information in a friendly manner, the unfortunate editing of the book itself made for the lower rating from me. It's like they ran it through a word processor and used auto spell correct without paying attention to the outcome (intended words swapped out for incorrect words..), which made for a choppy read but when this is done in an actual recipe, it's impossible to follow that recipe. I was hoping to find more recipes using different oils and butters. This author uses a "Master Batch" that uses Crisco. Most of the recipes start with this same batch then adds different combinations of essential oils.

I know Gregory White. He mentored me, via the phone, when I first began making soap. I was excited to learn he was writing a book and purchased a copy as soon as it was available. I can tell you it's like having Greg standing next to you every step of the way. His soaps are fabulous; I've used them. The recipes he provides are outstanding. This is definitely a good book for a beginner. Unlike some of the soapmaking books I've read, Greg simplifies things and lets you know you can make soap.

I have been making soaps for a little while now and I can tell you it hurts when you have to dump the whole kit and kubudle in the trash because something went wrong. This book has saved me from future soaping nightmares. The recipes are divine. So simple is the text to read and understand. Definitions and uses of the many oils available is priceless and written better than anyone I've read so far. If you are just starting out or are a long time soaper this is a must have

book in your collection.

This book makes soap making so much more simple. I had spent weeks reading different websites and other books only to end up a little confused, terrified, and convinced that I could never make soap on my own. I just knew that I would blow up the house! Making Soap From Scratch was broken down enough that I could understand what I needed to carefully do without breaking down so much that I needed a chemistry class to figure it out. After reading the book a couple of times I attempted my first recipe and it came out perfect! The recipes are great and I cannot wait until I am able to make a "master batch" to save a little time.

This is a great book for someone that has always wanted to get started making soap but just needed that extra little push. I own and have read many soap making books (most of them good), but I was never quite inspired to collect all the ingredients (reactants.....I'm a chemistry teacher) and get started. White's book was just what I needed. After reading once, I went back over parts that I needed to determine what essential oils, fats, etc. I would need to get started on a small scale. Everything is explained well and makes a natural progression to keep you interested and learning. There are a few typos but I find that even in the big publishing house books....not a problem. I am sure his next edition will have all the corrections.

This was a great book. It is a very easy to read and the instructions were not hard to follow. The extras were useful too such as how to package and set up for sale at flea markets. Would recommend to beginners and the practised because there is something for everyone.

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