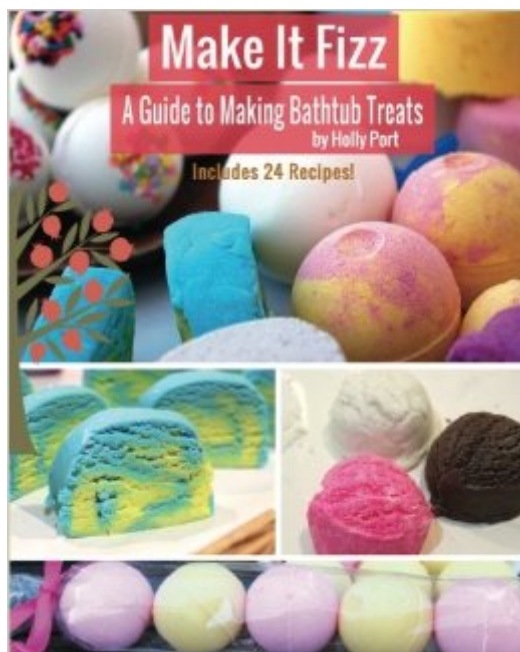


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Make It Fizz: A Guide To Making Bathtub Treats



Synopsis

In *Make it Fizz: A Guide to Making Bathtub Treats*, Holly Port will explain the easiest way to make bath bombs so that you don't have the challenges you may have had in the past with other recipes. Chock full of easy to understand instructions and full color pictures for the 24 recipes included, you are sure to succeed with this book, regardless of your skill level. With a few simple ingredients, and a little bit of time, you'll be making bath bombs in an afternoon. You're in good hands with this quick and easy guide to showing you not only the basics, but also more fun and challenging recipes like the Fizzy Pops, designed to look like tasty cake pop treats. Taking it a step further she has also included cupcake bath bombs with a sugar scrub topping. Who wouldn't love to make these? This book can be a project for yourself, a gift for a friend, or an enhancement to your knowledge in the world of bath and body crafts. Whatever the purpose, the reader will enjoy!

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Customer Reviews

I found this book to be helpful in several ways: the author takes a consistent, recipe-like approach to bath bombs that is way overdue. Although I didn't use her recipes on my first try, I did use her technique, which left me with a round, rock hard "bomb" on the very first attempt. Good for her- I think that the authors who recommend tossing in a few ingredients, and then "spraying with water or witch hazel until it's like wet sand" should be (gently) pelted with their own non functioning products. Now for my reservations- unless you own a heavy duty stand mixer, or are willing to go out and buy one, don't bother buying the book. The second is that some of the recipes call for exotic, expensive, or hard to find ingredients. Also some of the recipes are for very large quantities of

product, not appropriate for the beginner (although I suppose they could be divided). I think a first attempt should be for 5 or 6 bombs, without all the melted butters to keep track of, till you really get the hang of it. Finally, (and maybe this is a minor point) she recommends cold process soap as a topping for one of her bath bomb recipes. CP soap is a whole different animal. It deals in dangerous chemicals and takes a lot of care and practice. I think it's kind of silly to suggest cp soap for a first project as topping for a bath bomb cupcake. There are lots of easier and safer possibilities out there.

I was always afraid of making bath bombs as I live in a super hot climate and had always heard how difficult they were to make. After purchasing this book and attending Holly's demo at the 2014 HSCG conference in Tucson, AZ I was delighted to find just how easy they were to make as I watched the recipes executed firsthand. With book in hand I returned home motivated to try out these lovely fizzy bath treats. I purchased a KitchenAid stand mixer which I believe is key to adequate mixing as Holly states in her book. I was a bit wary of using water at first because I thought it would set off the fizzing reaction, but the agitation of the mixer prevents this from happening. That coupled with the fact that they harden up within about 30 minutes meant that I created about 30 stunning bath bombs on my first try! The book is full of beautiful color illustrations, wonderful recipes which you can tailor with your own oil/butter combos, pointers on how to troubleshoot your own batches. In addition Holly is just the sweetest, most helpful person ever, and I think there is a lot to be said for her sharing her knowledge in such a concise book. The money you will save in wasted ingredients alone as you try to perfect your technique and recipe is enough to buy the book AND a stand mixer!

I recently attended the Handcrafted Soap and Cosmetics Guild annual conference where I was delighted to meet Holly Port. We had a lovely chat about bath bombs, which have been causing me no end of frustration. I had essentially given up on making fizzes because my results had been so bad. Warts, cracking, crumbling and when I could get them to stick together, they were a greasy mess in the tub. Enter Holly Port. I bought the book, came home, rounded up the ingredients and 30 minutes later, I had a perfectly round, perfectly smooth, perfectly fizzy bomb. The book is clear, concise and has a number of cute variations once you've mastered the basic fizzy. I didn't have any grape seed oil on hand, so I subbed in a 50/50 mix of almond oil and rice bran oil. My kids loved the fizz and came out of the tub smooth and hydrated. Totally recommend this book.

This book is a must have for even the most experienced Bath Fizzy maker!!! I've been making bath bombs/fizzies for over 7 years. I've always had a problem with a few of them from each batch cracking and/or splitting in the middle because we have such weird humid weather here in Illinois, UNTIL NOW! I bought Holly's book on whim one day (it showed up in my "you might like this" section) and thought what the heck, I'll give it a try! I read it cover to cover as soon as it arrived. Then I adjusted my normal recipe according to the suggestions in the book (after some test of course) then I made a batch of the absolutely most perfect Bath Bombs to leave my soap room!!! Then, I waited a day to see what they would look like overnight - again, perfect! It was a great day because I then made over 300 Bath Bombs the next day and not a single one of them cracked, split, bubbled or got warty! It was the greatest day ever!!! I can honestly say that if it were not for the suggestions and techniques laid out in this book by Holly, I would still be pulling my hair out over the wonky bombs/fizzies that I used to make! Whether you are a hobbyist or a professional this book is well worth the money and I highly recommend it!!!!

Dearest Holly, Lately my Bath Fizzies have been flying out of my display suitcase. I attribute their success directly to you and your Bath Fizzy genius. You are the fizz in my bath Baby! Thanks for being amazing! Love and Bubbles, Tanya

I tried three of these recipes along with the two I found on line. The three I made from this book either cracked or made the bathtub too greasy for me to feel confident in giving as a gift. I think for me, the more simple the recipe, the better. No need to buy a book to make a bath bomb- plenty of good recipes online using the same basic principle.

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