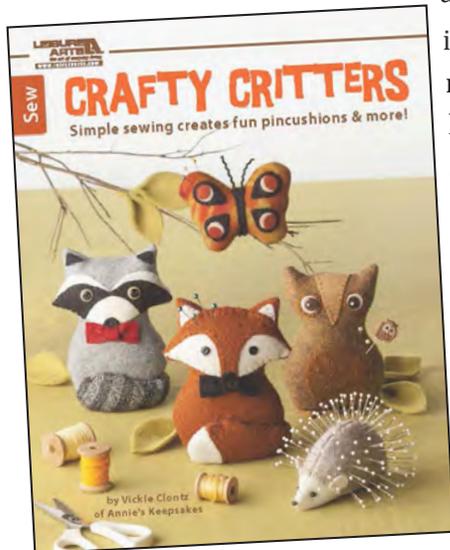




**Annie's
Keepsakes**

Owner & Designer, Vickie Clontz

(below) *Crafty Critters*, new book by Vickie Clontz (published by Leisure Arts)
Fun new book features woodland critter motifs. Projects include bags, phone cases, back-packs, and much, much more!



25th Anniversary Annie's Keepsakes

Vickie Clontz Celebrates 25 Years of Business!

2015 marks an exciting milestone for Vickie Clontz as she commemorates the 25th year anniversary of her pattern company, Annie's Keepsakes. Looking back, Vickie can trace her passion for design back to when she was five and fashioned her first Barbie doll dress from her mother's scrapbox. Her fascination with fabric continued through college, where she received a Bachelor's degree in Science of Clothing Design and Pattern-making.

Vickie started Annie's Keepsakes as a way of sharing her ideas and love of wool, fiber, and folk art. The quick and easy projects resonated with the quilting and crafting community and today she has over 90 patterns! Her designs, often inspired by nature and her garden, have been published in magazines across the country and abroad. Vickie also brings her award-winning expertise to each of her classes, workshops, and booths at expositions.

It was while she was exhibiting at the 2001 Spring Quilt Market when Vickie was first introduced to National Nonwovens. She instantly loved the WoolFelt product line because of how easy it was to use, the colors, and quality. Soon Vickie was designing with many of National Nonwovens' products (see below). In fact, National Nonwovens' wool roving fibers helped to launch Vickie's secondary career of felting and fiber art. Thank you Vickie for all your innovated ideas throughout the years!



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- 1 **Primitive Stocking Pattern.** This stocking pattern features Vickie's quick 'n easy pattern style. She uses a tea-staining recipe to create that vintage look. Read about the recipe in the Winter Newsletter.
- 2 **Needle-felted Cuddle Critters.** Anybody can make these cuddly soft critters! Project has a WoolFelt base and WoolWisp fibers (also from National Nonwovens) needle-felted on the outside, saving lots of time.
- 3 **Little Darlin' Fedora.** Vickie used National Nonwovens' 100% wool WoolFelt to make this Child's size hat pattern. Adult size hat patterns are also available.
- 4 **Bird and Flower Pincushion.** National Nonwovens' XoticFelt made from a bamboo-blend gives these tropical pincushions extra softness and vibrancy.
- 5 **Cherries Jubilee.** This classic pattern is also available as a kit, making it the ideal on-the-go project.

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