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**Karen Tack, Alan Richardson : Hello, Cupcake! 2016 Wall Calendar: A Delicious Year of Playful Creations and Sweet Inspirations** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Hello, Cupcake! 2016 Wall Calendar: A Delicious Year of Playful Creations and Sweet Inspirations:

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Good ideas, but confusing directions. By Judy L. The ideas are great, but so far the design directions are confusing. What does it mean to cut a marshmallow crosswise for the sheepdog? I posted the marshmallow directions for the schnauzer to a group of my friends and they couldn't figure it out either. There's a picture of all the dogs before the frosting is put on, but it doesn't help. I think they are trying to help beginners, but it would have made a better book if they had included suggested icing tip numbers for those of us not wanting to use pastry bags instead of ziplock bags. The use of Tootsie Rolls and hard-to-find candies are in this book, but maybe fondant could have been suggested. Also, they suggest store-bought frosting, "we have yet to find a homemade frosting that can do what a store-bought one does." Well, we tried doctoring store-bought frosting with a LOT of powdered sugar to make cake decorations, and it couldn't be done. If you see their frosting recipe in the book, you'll see that it doesn't have enough powdered sugar. Anyways, this book has been out awhile and my comments won't change anything. I do appreciate the design ideas very much. I bought the book after flipping thru it in the library.

However, I had to vent my frustration at trying to understand the directions. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. super cute ideas for cupcakes  
By JessI own a lot of cookbooks. This is probably the cutest decorating book I have bought. The pictures are great and the directions are straight forward. I've only tried two of the ideas so far. i did the valentine box cake. this was pretty cute and very simple. my boyfriend loved it. Finding the box for this cake did not happen, so I ended up using a heart shaped cake pan. The other idea i used was for the monarch butterfly cupcakes. I did not make a bunch of cupcakes. I wanted to try the technique and utilize a few butterflies on a regular cake. I am not a beginner when it comes to decorating and I will say I had a hard time getting the butterfly's wings to turn out as well as they looked in the book. The chocolate wanted to dry quickly and thus things weren't as perfect as i would have liked them to be. I will have to practice this more because i really think the butterflies in the book were quite lovely. I am planning on making the garden cupcakes for a friends birthday who is big into gardening. So I hope those turn out well.  
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By Kindle CustomerGreat book filled with lots of ideas. Has some seasonal ideas, it also has recipes for making homemade cupcakes. Fun cook book for having a crafting cup cake party with children or adults.

Hello Cupcake! 2016 Wall Calendar features all-new designs from the best-selling author's books, and ideas from their upcoming new book! Using everyday components and basic recipes - including cupcakes, doughnut holes, pretzels, candies, and cereals - food wizards Tack and Richardson create the most charmingly delicious cupcake creations you've ever seen. Every month includes a diagram of the design's components, showing the basic ingredients behind each outrageous design.

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